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BIG DEFICIT.

BANK TO BE WOUND UP.

INVESTIGATION NEEDED.

A creditors' petition for the winding up by the Court of the Oriental Commercial Bank, Ltd., whose registered office is at 25, Des Voeux Road Central, and for the removal of four Chinese liquidators, was made to the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, in the Supreme Court this morning. Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Mr. D. H. Blake, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for the creditors, and there was no counsel in court for the Bank. The Bank is in voluntary liquidation and it was stated that there was an estimated deficiency of over \$900,000.

The petitioner is Mr. D. M. Biggar, attorney of the Superintendent of Banks for the State of California, and trustee in charge of the liquidation of the Canton Bank of San Francisco, the Anglo-California Trust Company and the Anglo-California Securities Company, all of San Francisco. The Canton Bank is a creditor to the extent of \$1,000,000 for monies deposited to cover foreign drafts, and the latter two are creditors for the sum of \$245,000 for monies paid in respect of a loan pending the completion of a sale.

UNABLE TO CONTINUE.

Mr. Sheldon said the nominal capital of the Bank was \$5,000,000, divided into 200,000 shares of \$25 each. The amount of capital paid up, or credited as paid up, was \$174,125.

On June 18th of this year, an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders was held when a resolution was passed to the effect that it had been proved to the satisfaction of the meeting that the Bank could not, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it was advisable that the Bank should be voluntarily wound up. It was also resolved that Messrs. Lai Hin-man, Kwok Tat-sun, Ip Pik-chuen, and Lui Mui-sang be appointed liquidators for the purpose of winding up, and that their remuneration during the winding up should be \$300 each per month. These resolutions were confirmed at a meeting held on July 5th.

The liquidator, Lai Hin-man, was a director of the Company and had withdrawn the sum of \$16,039.60 on the day that the Company closed its doors in circumstances that required investigation. Kwok Tat-sun was a junior clerk in the Bank, and was the registered holder of two hundred shares. On August 3rd of this year, Ip Pik-chuen wrote through his solicitors to the Registrar of Companies, informing him that owing to ill-health he did not propose to take an active part in the liquidation. With regard to Lui Mui-sang, he stated, at the first meeting of the creditors, that he had resigned from the position of liquidator. Neither of the latter two, said Mr. Sheldon, had taken an active part in the liquidation.

NEED FOR INVESTIGATION.

Messrs. Percy Smith Seth and Fleming, Incorporated, accountants, prepared a preliminary statement of the affairs on June 9th, 1926. This report stated, *inter alia* that on June 9th, when the Company closed its doors, a second mortgage of \$10,000 on security of the Bank premises was granted to Wo Cho-tai and Leung Yee-koo, against a payment, according to the cash book, of \$10,000. The sum of \$1,000 was repaid to Loo Fu, against a fixed deposit receipt which was not due until November 2nd of this year. The report also stated that on June 9th, sums amounting to \$16,039.60 were paid to the liquidator, Lai Hin-man, and that on the same day \$16,039.60 were paid to the liquidator, Lai Hin-man, and that on the same day \$16,039.60 were paid to the liquidator, Lai Hin-man.

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WANHSIEN INCIDENT REPORTS.

IMPATIENCE IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

QUESTION OF URGENCY.

London, Dec. 14.

In the House of Commons, in reply to Mr. Clynes, Sir Austen Chamberlain said he hoped to lay the papers with regard to the Wanhsien incident before the House very shortly, and said the Admiralty had promised to send to the Foreign Office the Naval report this week, and the report of the British Consul at Chungking left Peking on Nov. 15.

Mr. Clynes asked whether any steps had been taken to expedite the receipt of this information, and suggested that in view of the repeated questions on the subject during the past few weeks, the House was entitled to this information before rising.

Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that he was anxious to give the House the information as soon as he was able to get it himself. He believed the report of the Consul at Chungking was coming by the shortest route and not awaiting the usual bags.

Mr. Garro Jones asked why these vital and urgent reports should not have been cabled, and Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that if the Foreign Office had to conduct all its business by cable, he was afraid that Mr. Garro Jones would soon find fault with their estimates.

Mr. Garro Jones contended that this was a case of exceptional importance, involving the question of peace or war.

To this there was no answer.—*Reuter.*

HABITUAL SMUGGLER.

INGENUOUS PLACE OF CONCEALMENT.

Alleged by Revenue Officers to be a habitual opium smuggler, a Kwong-sai man, who arrived in the Colony on the s.s. Mingsang, was fined \$2,000, or six months' hard labour in default, at the Central Magistracy this morning where he was charged with possession of 19½ taels of prepared opium.

The drug was ingeniously concealed in a thin tray secreted inside the lining of a large suitcase, and it was stated that the discovery would not have been made but for information received.

Revenue officers raided the Kung Wo Boarding-house yesterday, and arrested the prisoner in a room there.

SENNET FRERES CASE.

ALLEGED SHOPLIFTERS. PLEAD NOT GUILTY.

The two men who were arrested yesterday morning in connection with an alleged attempt to victimise Messrs. Sennet Freres, the Pedder Street jewellers, pleaded not guilty when charged at the Central Police Court to-day with theft. Evidence of arrest was given, and both defendants were remanded in custody until Friday.

COAL INDUSTRY.

LAST EMPLOYMENT FIGURES.

Rugby, Dec. 14.

Colonel Lane Fox, Secretary for Mines, stated in the House of Commons that the number of miners working on the new basis of eight hours a day is 456,164, whilst 266,550 are working seven and a half hours daily. At pits in various districts a seven-hours day is still in force.—*British Wireless.*

CURBING LABOUR.

CANTON UNIONS MUCH PERTURBED.

PROTESTS TO GOVERNMENT.

Labour organisations in Canton are greatly perturbed over the reported intention of the Government to deal severely with picket lawlessness and labour feuds.

It will be recalled that during the regime of Li Chang-tat as Commissioner of Public Safety, labour domination became marked, even a Police and Labour Fraternity Party being formed. Now, however, that General Chien Tai-chun has succeeded to the post, it is said that a decision has been taken not to tolerate picket lawlessness and that the rights of the propertied and monied classes are to be safeguarded.

LABOUR MEETING.

In view of these reports, the Workers' Representative Conference, which claims to have over 200 Labour Unions under its control, recently called a meeting to consider the position, it being asserted that the Government action would practically put an end to Trade Unionism in Canton. At this meeting, a resolution was passed to the effect that the Unions would be willing to obey the Government provided in case of strikes the employers did not commit any acts against the strike regulations. With regard to the labour feuds, the view was expressed that these were largely due to the capitalist class, the members of which were often engineering trouble when strikes occurred. Moreover, much of the trouble was due, according to the meeting, to the fact that rival Unions existed amongst men of the same calling, but this was inevitable during the present period of transition.

IN THE BALANCE.

On behalf of the Unions, protests have been sent to the Canton Government regarding the proposed new regulations, which are described as being very unexpected in view of the fact that the Government is looked upon as being favourable to labour aspirations.

So far, however, the Government has not replied to these, and our Canton correspondent states that much anxiety exists in labour circles as to the outcome of the representations. Armed pickets are not so much in evidence, and the public is anxiously waiting to see whether the Government really intends to disperse the picket organisations.

Merchants generally are hailing with gratification the appointment of General Chien Tai-chun as Commissioner of Public Safety, especially in view of the reports that he is determined to take strong action against labour agitators.

STRIKE CONTINUE.

The strike of rice workers still continues, but there are hopes of a settlement in view of the fact that the Government has stepped in to mediate and also because of the growing impatience of the public on account of the increased prices now being charged for this necessity of life.

The bank employees' strike also still remains unsettled. The Kuomintang Labour Department has called together the bankers and their employees with a view to discussing the terms of a suggested compromise, but no agreement had been reached on Monday. The discussions were, however, to be resumed yesterday. It is said that the strike is causing much inconvenience to the Central Bank.

PROUD VIENNA.

STOPS SALVATION ARMY'S WORK.

Vienna, Dec. 14.

The Municipal authorities have prohibited the Salvation Army's work in Vienna on the ground that the City has developed such a comprehensive system of communal relief that private relief is superfluous.—*Reuter.*

BETTER CONDITIONS IN FOOCHOW.

NAVY STILL NOT UNDER CONTROL.

COMMITTEE GOVERNMENT.

With regard to conditions in Foochow, it is reported that since the arrival of the Kuomintang troops conditions have begun to improve and are now rapidly returning to normalcy.

The defeated remnants of General Chow Yam-yun's forces have retreated into Chedang, and it has been decided to assign all political and administrative matters to a newly-organised Political Committee, in accordance with the Kuomintang system.

So far, the naval forces have not wholly taken up the Kuomintang cause, and they are said to be demanding that General Fang Sing-tao should be appointed in control of all military matters, at least for the time being. It is reported that a final settlement of all outstanding issues will not be reached until the arrival of General Ho Ying-yun, the Commander of the Kuomintang 1st Army Corps.

HARBOUR COLLISION.

WELL-KNOWN LAUNCH SUNK.

During the foggy weather that prevailed early this morning, a collision took place in the harbour between two launches, as a result of which the steam launch Gretchen, belonging to the Asiatic Petroleum Company, now lies sunk off the Yaumati typhoon shelter.

The collision took place at about seven o'clock, the launches involved being one belonging to the Standard Oil Company and the Gretchen, belonging to the A.P.C. It appears that the latter was struck by the bows of the former and was so seriously damaged that she eventually sank. The bows of the Standard Oil Company's launch were also badly damaged.

MILL STRIKE ENDS.

LARGE TEXTILE WORKS RESUME.

New York, Dec. 14.

A strike, which has closed for eleven months two of the largest textile mills in northern New Jersey, ended yesterday, the mill owners and employees both accepting the same terms as were agreed to in the Passaic mills a month ago.—*Reuter's American Service.*

OBITUARY.

DEATH OF MRS. JOHN WARD.

London, Dec. 14.

The death is announced of Mrs. John Ward, wife of Colonel John Ward, M.P., who was in Hongkong for a while during the war, in Command of the 25th. Middlesex who later saw service in Siberia.—*Reuter.*

CHLORINE EXPLOSION.

HUGE CASUALTY LIST.

Paris, Dec. 14.

The death toll in the chlorine explosion disaster at Samtouban is now 23, while 30 have been seriously gassed, five of whom are in a precarious condition. Forty others have been less seriously gassed. The cause of the accident is not yet known.—*Reuter.*

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9,000 MORE UNEMPLOYED.

The long succession of difficulties with which the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company has had to contend during the past few years of civil war in and around these provinces and in Central China culminated last week in the Company making a public announcement to the effect that the Company would no longer continue to operate its vessels while others belonging to the Company remain in the hands of China militarists.

SHAREHOLDERS UNITED.

At a meeting of most of the shareholders in the Company, a resolution favouring the proposal of the directors to suspend all services (coast and Yangtze) pending the return of its steamers, was carried without a dissentient vote and a telegram to this effect was framed and circulated throughout the country.

Following this, the resolution was formally carried into effect next day when all steamers of the Company were summoned to return to Shanghai and those in port received orders to remain at their berths.

CONSTANT INTERFERENCE.

Constant interference with the operations of the Company was the main reason given by the Chairman at the meeting for the resolution being put to shareholders for their approval.

There are at present about nine of the riverboats belonging to the Company in the hands of the Northern militarists, while several coasters have been seized in South China, the principal ones being those which sailed from Shanghai a week or two ago with new crews recruited locally to break the strike caused by the activities of the Seamen's Union and Red agitators.

Although petitions had been sent to the Nanking, Swatow and Canton authorities, no assurance was forthcoming from them that the vessels would be returned. All that the Company asked was freedom to operate their vessels no matter who was in power and ruled the country, and that its ships would not in future be commandeered or interfered with and that full protection would be afforded to the officers, crews and vessels.

MANY AFFECTED.

An estimate places the number of shipping hands who will be affected by the suspension of sailings, as 3,000. An additional 6,000 shore men will also be thrown out of work by the Company's action. The Company has no less than 28 vessels, with about 180 foreign officers and engineers.

In past civil wars the China Merchant's Company was badly hit by the wholesale commandeering of vessels and on each occasion when the Company had revived its services on a normal basis another outbreak of war disrupted the service again. Being a Chinese company it is the first upon which the warring factions cast eyes when requiring transport for their troops. Sometimes wages are paid to the crews operating the vessels, and sometimes they are not. The fact remains that the Company which owns the vessels loses heavily while the militarists and the decision now taken was the last resort.

IRISH TROUBLES.

THE ARRESTED PERSONS RELEASED.

London, Dec. 14.

It is officially announced that all persons detained by the Irish Free State under the Emergency Act, recently passed by the Free State Parliament following raids on barracks, have been released by an Order of the Executive Council.—*Reuter.*

THE SINO-BELGIAN DISPUTE.

TO BE TAKEN TO HAGUE COURT.

NO POLITICAL AMBITIONS.

Brussels, Dec. 14.

M. Vandervelde, interviewed on his return from Geneva, stated that he had discussed the Sino-Belgian dispute and also the General situation with Sir Austen Chamberlain and M. Briand.

Belgium had no political ambitions in China, and she could not agree to accept a *Modus Vivendi* of nine months instead of the Treaty of 1865, because, if she did, she might at the end of nine months, find herself without either a *Modus Vivendi* or a new Treaty. Therefore, she was going to the Hague Court in order to obtain a declaration that China alone could not abrogate the Treaty. Belgium would always side with those desiring to abolish institutions forcibly imposed on China which were bound to be carried away by a revolt of national sentiment, which it would be more and more impossible to suppress.

Sir Austen Chamberlain was considering common action on the part of the Powers concerned, whereby was meant not the despatch of troops to China but the adoption of a liberal and pacific policy in face of the Chinese national movement. Such a project could not fail to have the sympathy of Belgium which was always given to the national aspirations of a great people.—*Reuter.*

WEATHER OUTLOOK.

FOG LIKELY TO DISAPPEAR.

Hongkong has had another warm and muggy day, with a deal of fog, but according to Observatory predictions there are prospects of an improvement in weather conditions.

The temperature recorded by the Observatory at 6 a.m. to-day was 71, with the humidity 96.

The Yangtze Valley depression has deepened and moved to south-west Japan, whilst a strong anticyclone covers south-east Mongolia and south Manchuria.

The coast fog, says the Observatory, will probably disperse within 24 hours, and the local forecast up to noon to-morrow is:—Light north-east winds, freshening; fog at first, clearing later.

FORGED BANKNOTE.

CHINESE CHARGED WITH UTTERING.

An application for formal remand was made at the Central Magistracy this morning when Cheung Pak-san was charged with possessing and uttering a forged \$10 banknote.

Mr. D. McCallum appeared on prisoner's behalf, and pleaded not guilty. He applied for bail and offered \$500, but the police objected, and defendant was remanded in custody until Friday.

AERIAL TROPHY.

WON BY LONDON SQUADRON.

Rugby, Dec. 14.

The Air Ministry announces that Viscount Esher has presented a handsome trophy to be awarded annually to the squadron of the Auxiliary Air Force adjudged to be the best all-round squadron of the year. One of the London squadrons, commanded by Lord Edward Grosvenor, wins the trophy this year.—*British Wireless.*

EMPIRE AIRWAYS.

PROGRESS IN AIRSHIP DEVELOPMENT.

IMPORTANCE OF MASTS.

The Air Ministry's memorandum to the Imperial Conference, dealing comprehensively with Imperial air communications is now published.

After surveying the substantial progress made regarding aeroplane services and their suggested development in co-operation with the Dominions, it indicates the great advances made as the result of research experiment and trial in airship development. Hitherto, the chief cause of irregularity of airship flying, has been the difficulty of handling ships on the ground and the risk involved in taking them in and out of sheds except in favourable weather. As the result of the development of a system of mooring at masts, airships can now be moored to the mast by a mast crew of ten and it should be possible in the future to operate from a mast for long periods, refuelling and changing engines and even gasbags while so moored. An airship shed should then be more analogous to the dry dock of a surface ship than to its ordinary harbour.

VOYAGES TO INDIA.

In connection with the experimental voyages to India and back, two airships have been designed and are in the first stages of production. Masts at Cardington and Ismailia have been completed and a shed at Karachi, on the site presented with a grant-in-aid by the Indian Government, has been begun. As the result of knowledge accumulated during meteorological investigations of the route, the experimental flights will be made with a greater prospect of safety than would otherwise have been possible. It remains to build the airship, to overcome the mechanical difficulties of the heavy oil engine, to establish meteorological and wireless organisation, to carry out home trials and to fly the two airships to India and back. When this experimental programme has been successfully completed, says the Memorandum, airship design and construction will have been placed upon an entirely new and more practical basis, and the way will be clear for carrying out further experiments which are required to establish the practicability of regular airship operation throughout the Empire.

WEST INDIES SERVICE.

Dealing with aeroplane transport developments in various parts of the empire, the Memorandum refers to the investigations conducted by the Air Ministry Committee into the opportunities for the operation of civil air transport in the neighbourhood of the West Indies. It states that, consisting as they do of a group of islands extending over, roughly, 1,800 miles, and separated by considerable distances, the West Indies are in a position to desire the maximum benefit from the rapid transport facilities afforded by air services. The Committee's report is not yet complete, but it recognises that a service throughout the West Indies is impracticable at present, owing to the comparatively small volume of traffic likely to be forthcoming, and the necessity of a large subsidy.

It, therefore, considers that local services should first be established on those sections which offer the best chance of early commercial success, with gradual extensions subsequently. The Committee proposes that these initial services should include a service in British Guiana, a service from British Guiana to Trinidad, a coastal service from Trinidad to Curacao and Maracaibo, and a service from Trinidad to the Barbados.—*British Wireless.*

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SUNNING CASE.

FRESH EVIDENCE.

New evidence was given in the Sunning case at the Central Magistracy yesterday when the stevedore who was taken in No. 6 boat when it left the vessel and was subsequently captured by H.M.S. Bluebell, was called to give evidence.

Referring to the later incidents on the Sunning, witness said the pirates forced him to help them to lower the boat and they took him on board, together with the Sunning's carpenter, who is the nineteenth defendant.

Ten men left the vessel in the boat, there being eight pirates, including Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 8. Witness and the carpenter rowed the boat, and when the Bluebell hove in sight one of the pirates suggested that the arms should be dumped overboard "to free them from trouble." There were two rifles in the boat and they were dumped together with four other firearms.

Money Handed Over.

"No. 4 handed me over \$300 in banknotes and asked me to keep it for him," continued witness. "I took it from him and put it in my pocket. No. 1 defendant handed the ship's carpenter \$1,000 in notes, and he also put the money in his pocket."

"When the Bluebell came nearer a rope was thrown and I caught it. We then made fast and we were all taken on board with the exception of one man who went overboard from the ship's boat. I was on the Bluebell first and I did not see what happened to him. I was tied up and taken in charge as a pirate."

Questioned, the stevedore said that there was a heavy sea a high wind while they were in the ship's boat and at one time it was half full of water which had to be baled out.

In Sight of A Warship.

Mr. Lindsell: Why were you willing to take these notes from No. 4 and relieve him of evidence of his guilt?—I was afraid they might shoot me if I refused to take it.

Mr. Lindsell: A British man of war was in sight and coming to the rescue and you were afraid?—Yes. We saw the warship but she was still some distance away at that time.

Mr. Lindsell: When you were on the Bluebell did you tell anybody about this money?—Everything I had was taken away when I was searched, but I told a Cantonese steward about it.

Mr. Lindsell (to the Crown Solicitor) Beyond the fact that the ship's carpenter was in possession of \$1,000 is there anything else against him?

The Carpenter.

Mr. Holmes: That is the only point against him. Careful consideration has been given to the question of this defendant, and as soon as this man's evidence was finished I was going to point out that the money was the only evidence against the man.

Some silver was found with the notes on the carpenter and that may require explanation, added Mr. Holmes.

He also stated that the witness's case and that of the carpenter were similar.

Mr. Lindsell said that in view of the evidence he did not see how the Crown could hold the man, and Mr. Holmes said that if His Worship found there was no prima facie case against him he hoped the carpenter would be released.

Passenger's Story.

A Chinese lady, Liela Allison, gave evidence at the afternoon hearing. She said that on the afternoon of the piracy she was talking to a comrade when she saw hands brandishing revolvers near the grille on the saloon deck.

She was frightened when she saw the weapons and stayed in the room where she was sitting. On the comrade's advice she then went to her cabin and gave a certain amount of money and jewellery to a steward. She gave him two gold bangles and \$256 in notes, but had not seen her property since.

Three armed men then went into her cabin, and when one pointed to the rings on her fingers she took them off and handed them over. Owing to the difference in dialects she was unable to understand what one of the men asked for, but he made signs indicating that he wanted her neck ring. Witness said she had got rid of that before, handing it to the steward.

Witness pointed out No. 4 as one of the men who entered her cabin and said she could also identify No. 5, while she had seen No. 20 carrying a gun.

Refuge in Steerage.

Shortly before midnight when the firing started, No. 1 went into her cabin and forced her, together with other passengers, towards the saloon deck. Witness escaped however and bolted down below to the steerage.

At the morning hearing of the case, the manager of a Chinese drug store who was also on the Sunning said he went to the cabin occupied by his aunt when shots were fired and there he was searched several times although the pirates found nothing of value on him. Altogether he lost \$180 in Shanghai money. He was driven with the others to the saloon deck, but escaped and found refuge in the cook's quarters.

From there he saw a boat lowered and he heard that all the pirates had left the ship with the exception of the disabled ones. He was still of that opinion.

Witness said he recognised No. 20. He carried a short firearm and announced at one time "I am the officer directing operations here."

The Court rose at 5.30 p.m. yesterday adjourning until Thursday morning.



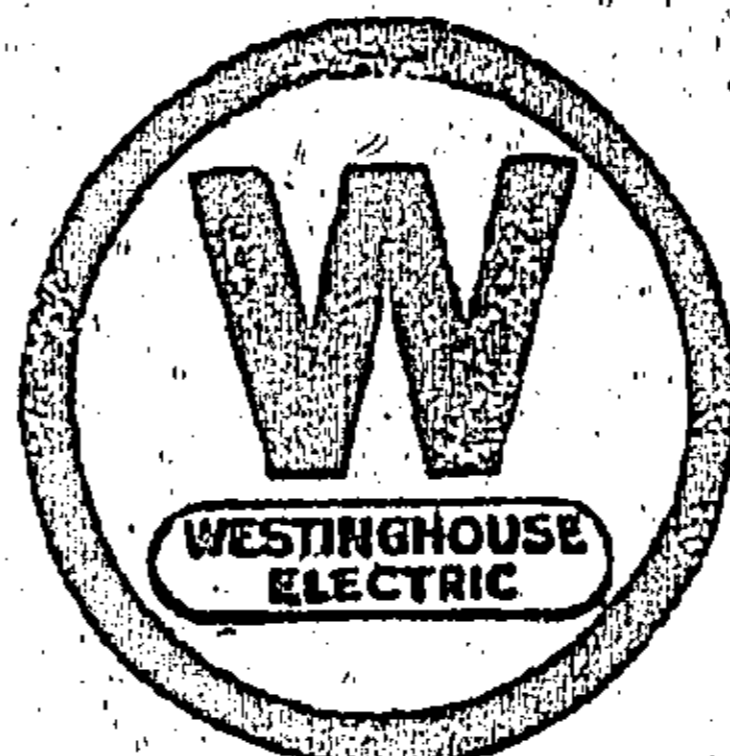
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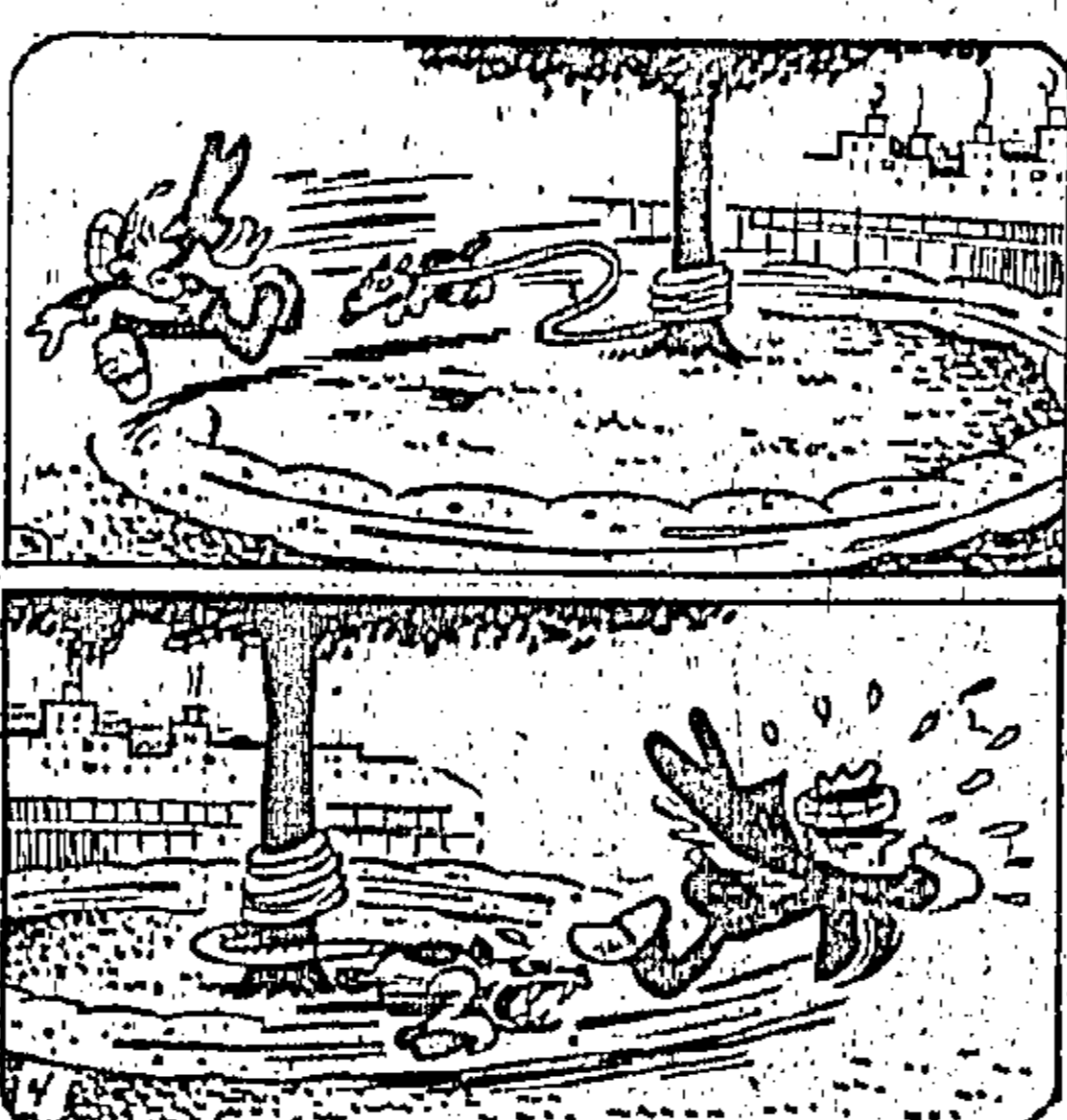
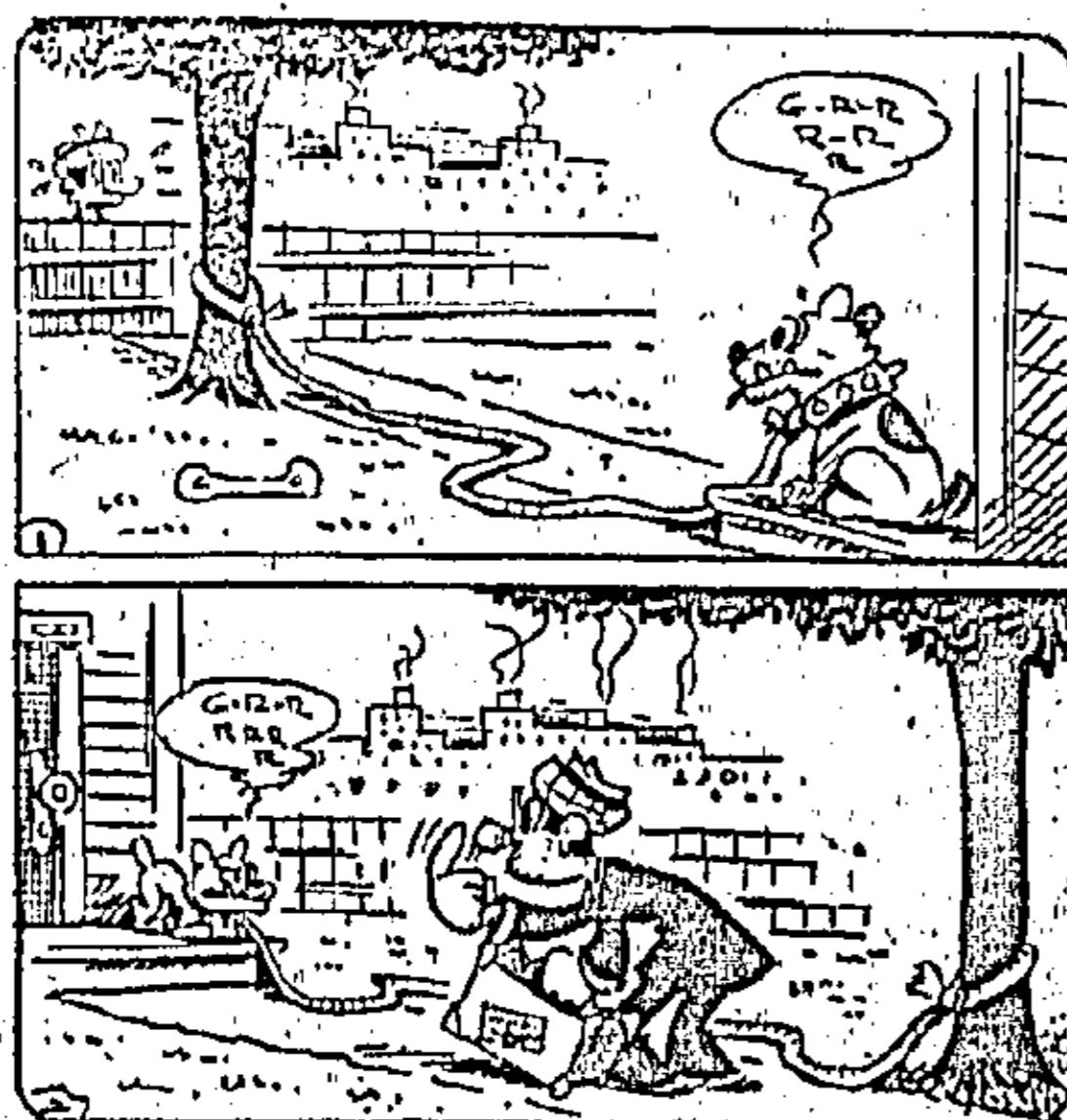
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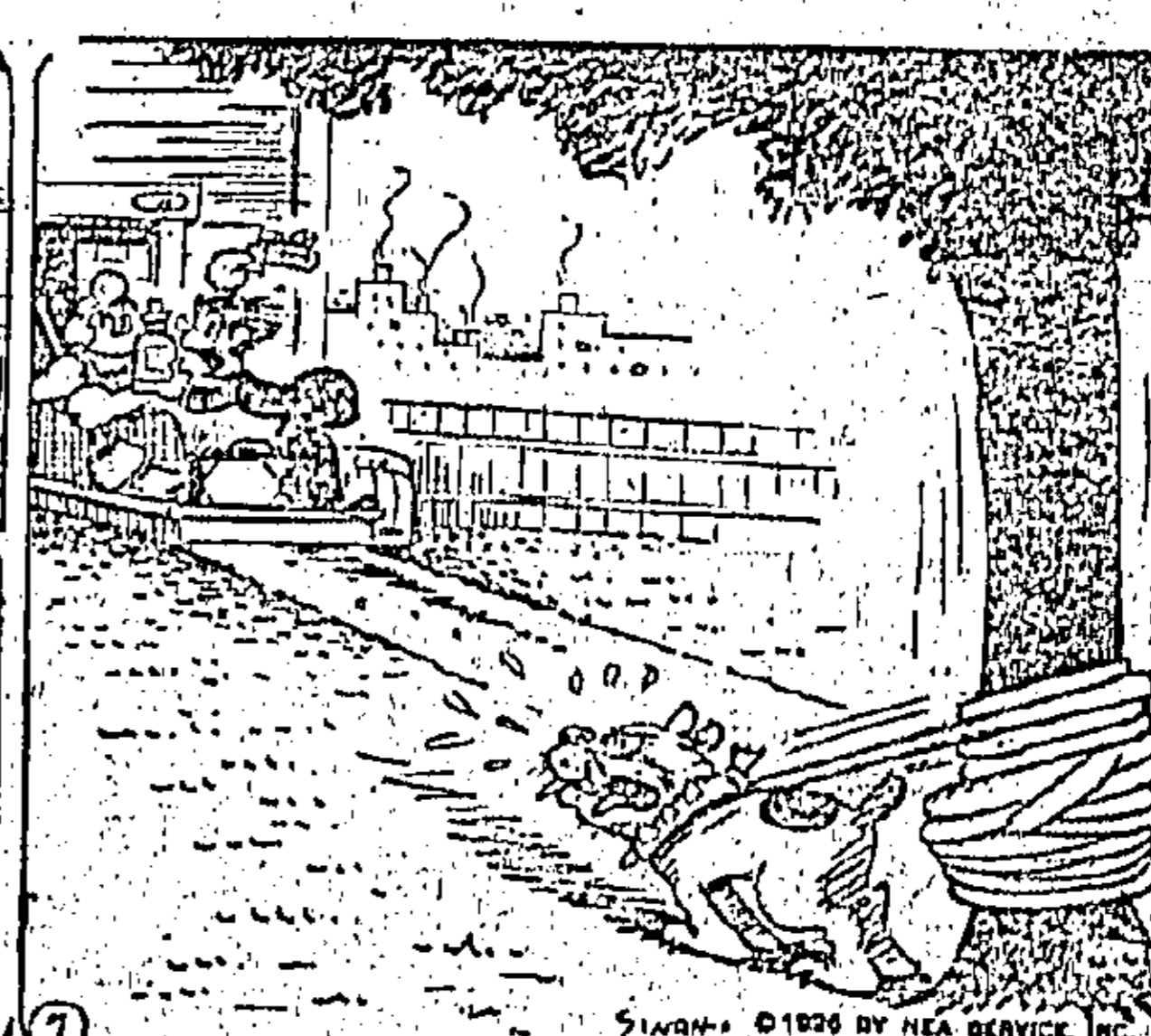
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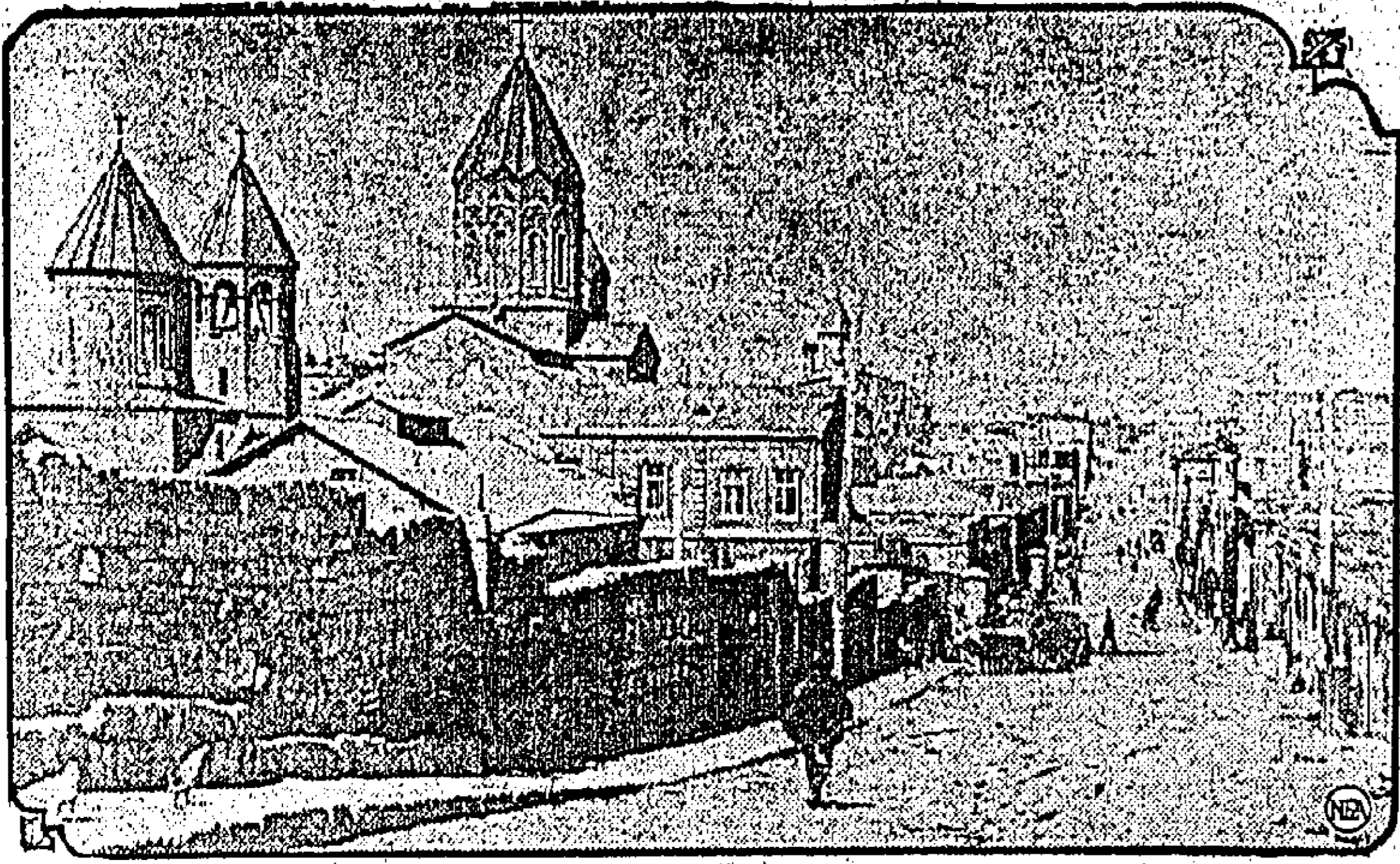


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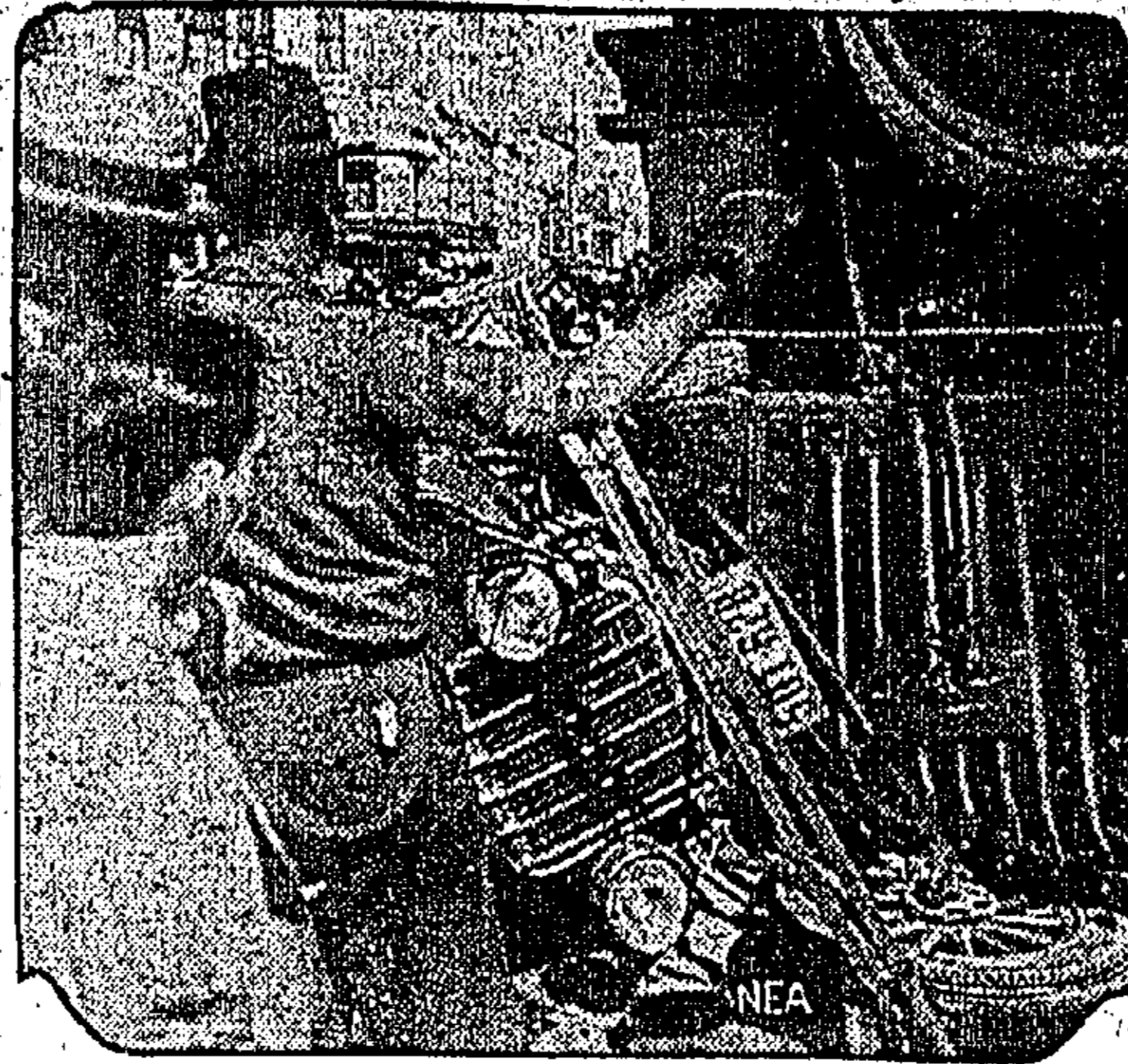


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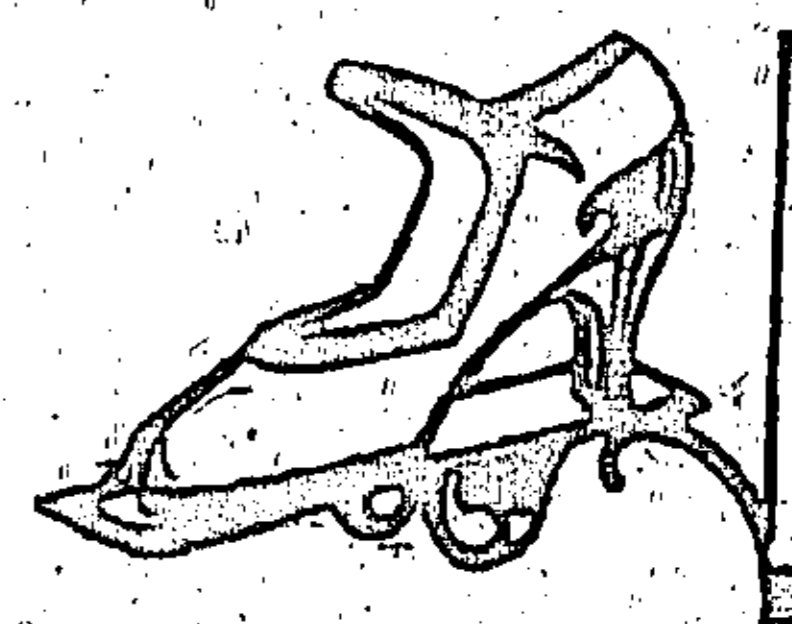
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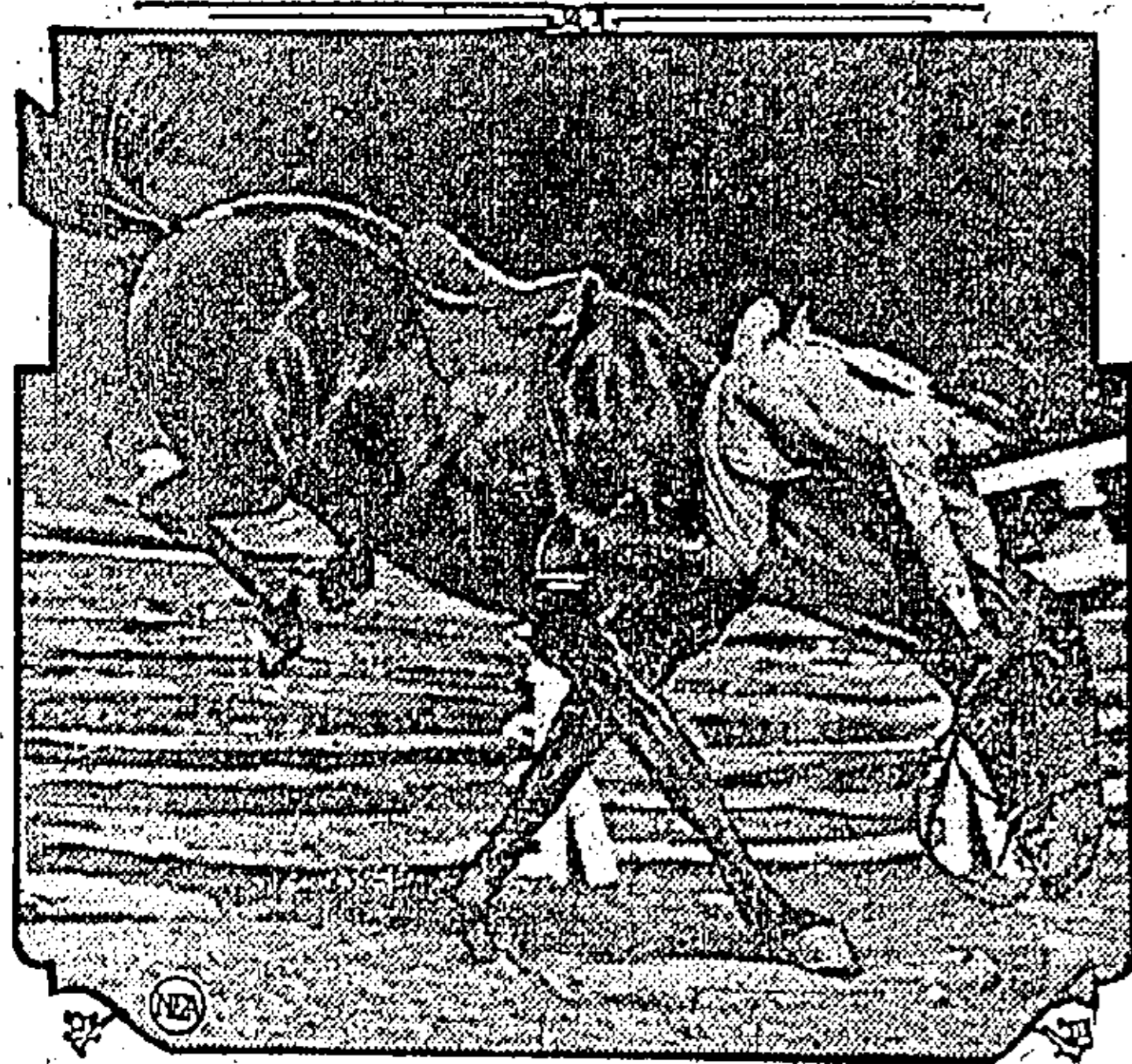
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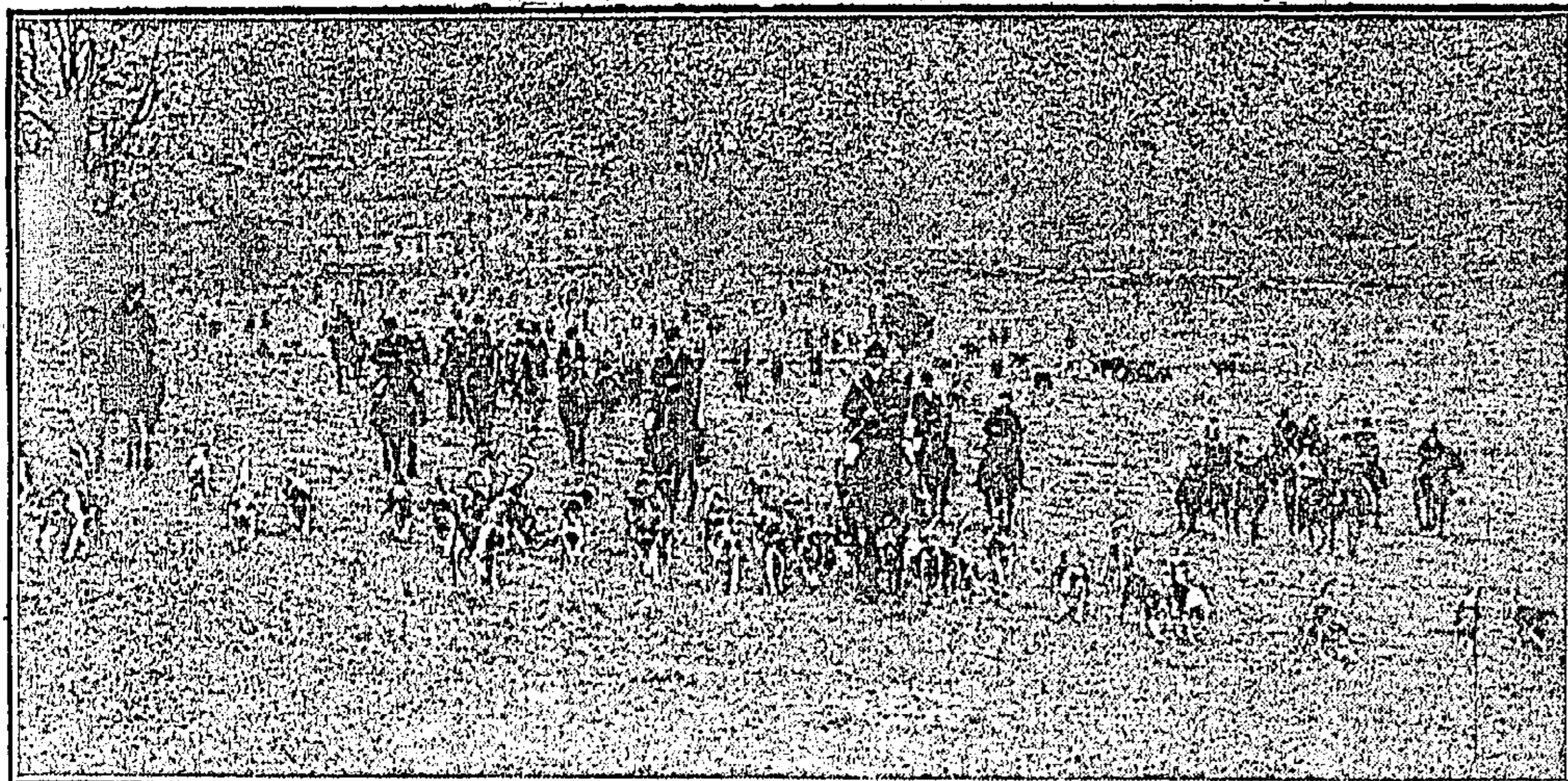
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A BAD SPILL.—Townsend Winwill was kicked and badly injured a second after the camera caught him slipping over the head of his mount at the Piping Rock Horse Show, Long Island.



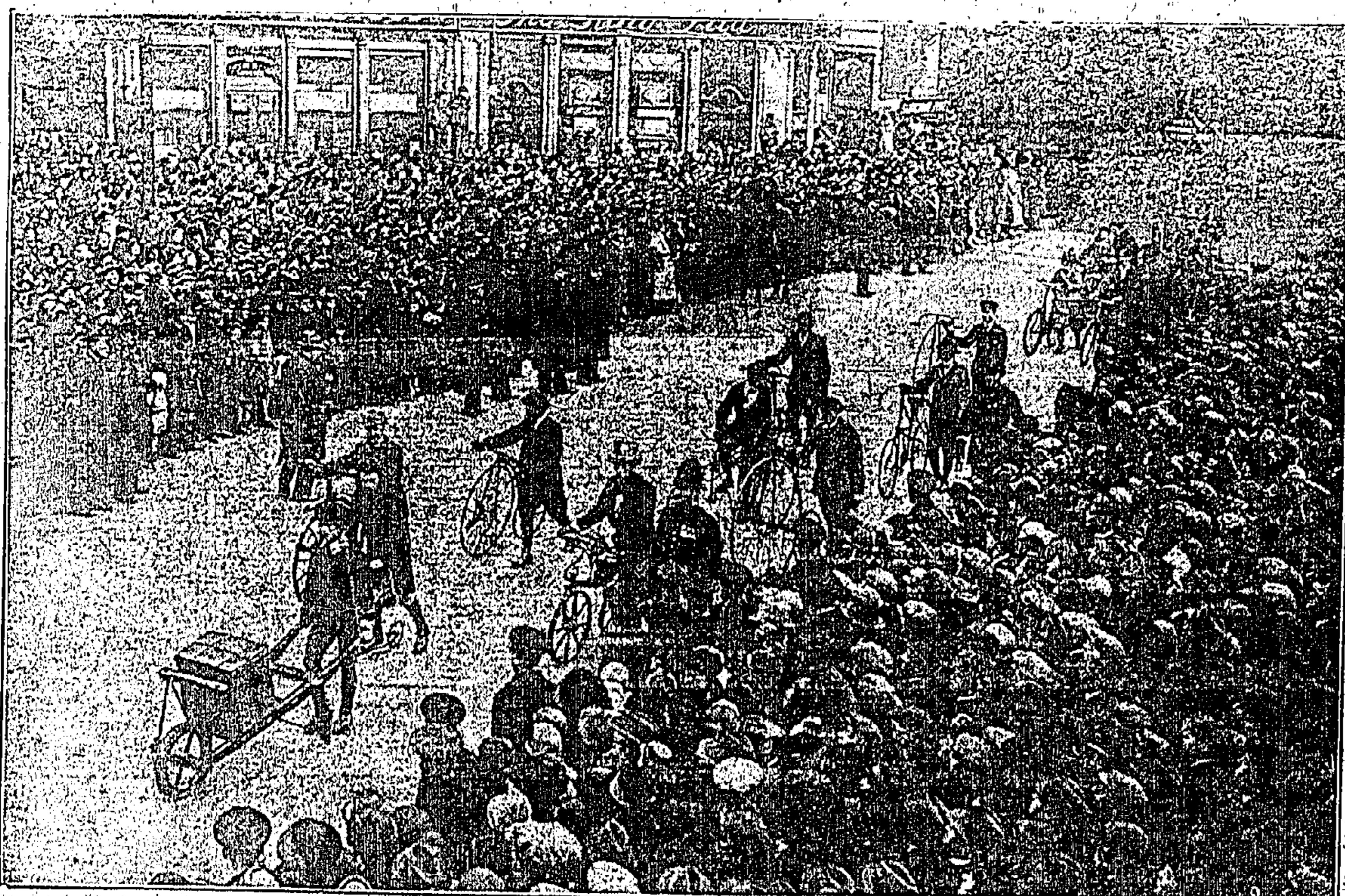
SIGNING ON.—Here are a few American artists who signed up for this season's Sunday evening concerts in the U.S.A. Left to right, standing: Allen McQuhae, tenor; Albert Spalding, violinist; Reinald Werrenrath, baritone; Louis Edlin, orchestra conductor; Charles Hackett, tenor. Seated: Anna Case, soprano; A. Atwater Kent, manager; Mary Lewis, soprano; Ann Mack, soprano.



AN OPENING MEET IN WORCESTERSHIRE.—The Croome Hounds moving off after the opening meet of the season held at Croome Court, Worcestershire, the residence of Lord Coventry. Croome Court can be seen in the background. (Times copyright.)



FIRST MINISTER.—Mr. Vincent Massey of Toronto is the new Canadian minister to the United States—the first the dominion has had. He was appointed by Mr. Mackenzie King, with whom he attended the recent Imperial Conference of Premiers of the British Empire at London.



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CRICKET NOTES.

[BY "TWO LEGS."]

Like the previous week, all the matches played last Saturday were brought to a definite conclusion. Both the Kowloon teams just managed to notch the full three points on the last over of the day, while at Sookunpoo, the I.R.C. and Navy encounter was very closely fought.

By easily defeating the R. E. and S. Civil Service maintained their undefeated record, and continue to head the First Division League table. The visitors could furnish no opposition at all to the bowling of Ling and Sayer, and it only took 14.1 overs between them to get the whole side out for the small total of 31 runs. Civil Service have now obtained 10 points out of 12, and will take a deal of catching-up, but it can be expected that Kowloon and the Navy will go after them in real earnest.

Col. Cantrell played a big part in the Navy win over the I.R.C. His bowling, (or was it his reputation as a first-class bowler?), had a demoralising effect on the Indian batsmen, most of whom were over-cautious when facing him. He would have returned a much better analysis than his 6 for 50, but for quite a few "fluky" shots off him, which went for "fours." With a little over 100 runs to make, the Navy were unfortunate to find the Indian bowlers in tip-top form, and had to fight hard for every run. With the experience behind them, however, they wore down the bowling, and snatched a narrow victory.

Although there was no doubt about their superiority over Craigengower, it must have been observed that Kowloon were lucky to win just on time, as they took the last two wickets in the last over. The fielding of "the visiting side was 'patchy' for the most part, the easy chance that Ramsay gave early on in his innings which was not accepted, proved very costly. Hamson was the only Craigengower bowler who met with any success.

At Causeway Bay, Capt. Dobbie found the C.R.C. defence somewhat easy to penetrate; in securing seven wickets, he only conceded 31 runs. For the winners, Lt. Hankey was in great form with the bat. He treated the Chinese bowling with scant respect, and has the honour of being the second batsman to score a century in League cricket this season. Seven of the C.R.C. men had a turn with the ball, and in delivering a total of 33 overs, had the unpleasant experience of failing to obtain a single wicket between them.

In the Second Division, the Police had matters all their own way against Civil Service. Lacey was chiefly responsible for the dismissal of Civil Service for the total of 47 runs, and Alexander again came to the fore with a useful contribution of 31.

The Navy suffered two defeats in the same week; last Wednesday, the R.A.O.C. secured three points at their expense, and on Saturday, they went down again to Kowloon. On account of these reverses, the Navy, who were in a very favourable position, have practically put themselves out of the running for first place in the Junior Section.

The Club de Recreio accounted for Tamar, thanks to the all-round display of Alves. At a time when their best bowlers were being scored off rather freely, the Recreio put on Alves, and in seven overs he had the satisfaction of capturing six wickets for a little under five runs each, and afterwards, going in first for his side, he helped in a large way to knock off the runs put up by the opponents, and carried his bat for a well-played 60.

This week, there will be another full programme, no less than seven matches being down for decision. C.R.C. will be up against another strong side, when they receive the Civil Service 1st XI. The Government Servants are expected to retain their lead in the table. After a rest of two weeks, the University will travel to Kowloon. I hear Rumjahn has a great partiality for the Kowloon ground, and the home team will do well to concentrate on getting him out as soon as possible. It should not be surprised to see this game end in a draw.

The R. E. and S. have still to register their first point in the League, but as they will be playing the Navy this week, they will pro-

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

LATEST ACTIVITIES.

Old news gets very stale, so we will content ourselves with saying that last week the Y.M. won a billiards match with H.M.S. Victrola, and a hockey match with Submarine L20.

Coming events, of course, are always more interesting to talk about, and this week we have an interesting meeting on Thursday night. It is a sing-song for the Services. The Social Committee is arranging the programme, which contains both Y.M. Members, and Service men. The social starts at 9 p.m., and refreshments will be served in the course of the evening. As this article is an official communication, we would, on behalf of the Y.M.C.A., give a very hearty invitation to any member of either Service, to come along on Thursday evening. He will be assured of a welcome to the Building.

On Wednesday night, the Y.M.C.A. billiards team meets a team from H.M.S. Ambrose. The Y.M. team consists of Messrs. W. Brown, E. Clough, W. R. Greenhalgh, N. Trambitsky, J. C. Long, and L. Jack.

Christmas is looming in the very near future, and the mind of the Social Committee has been exercised as to what way the Y.M. could best show the spirit of Christmas, and it has decided to ask the Members of the Y.M. each to invite as a guest to the Christmas Day tiffin some member of the Services. It is hoped to get forty guests along on that day. In addition, in the evening there will be a grand Christmas party when high revelry will be the order of the day, or rather night.

Next Saturday the "Flying Y2" will hold its fortnightly run. We hope that the monotony of the circuit will not deter people, but it is not the fault of the "Flying Y" that there is only one road. When another is built we will use it! We shall start from the Y. M. Building at 2.15 p.m., and a stop will be made at the Cafeteria, Castle Peak, for tea.

The speaker at the next Quiet Hour, Sunday, December 19th, will be the Rev. Walter Scott, Chaplain of H.M.S. Hawkins.

Contributions for the Red Triangle are invited. They should be preferably in lighter vein. Send contributions to the Y. M. c/o The Secretary—Communicated.

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OWNERS FINED \$250 THIS MORNING.

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Mr. H. Lo appeared for the defendants and entered a plea of guilty.

The police did not press the charge, it being stated that the place of hiding being in the sole plate, the owners could not have been expected to know what was going on. An engineer had absconded.

bably have to wait for a better opportunity to open their account. The I.R.C. are known to be able to give of their best against formidable opponents, and the Cricket Club will be well advised to field a strong team against them. "On paper," the Club should win.

In the Junior Division, the University will be at home to R.A.O.C. These teams appear to be of even strength, and a draw is not unlikely. Although the Navy have not been playing any too well in their last two matches, the Police will not find it altogether too easy to secure a win. I think the I.R.C. will be able to account for H.K.C.C. at Sookunpoo. The Indian 2nd XI, comparatively speaking, are very much stronger than their first team.

Another match which will be of more than ordinary interest to quite a few, is the annual "battle of the Blues," which will be "fought" on Wednesday December 22nd—venue, Hongkong Cricket Club Ground. On the last occasion that these sides met, Oxford were overwhelmed. The feature of that game was the bright batting display of Capt. Walters who made 118. Lt. Halsey was also responsible to a great extent for the "Canab" victory; he returned the remarkable analysis of 6 for 11.

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MR. LLOYD GEORGE PUTS
PARTY OUT OF STEP.

London, Dec. 14.
The fusion of all the Liberal
forces and funds, which was
a resolution made at a meeting
of the Party on November 24
following on offer by Mr. Lloyd
George to finance the Liberals
at the next General Election, now
seems unlikely.

Viscount Grey, presiding at a
dinner in honour of Mr. Vivian
Phillips, the chief Liberal or-
ganiser, declared there was no
question of leadership or creating
an organised schism within the
Party, but a feeling of mutual
trust was absolutely impossible.
Confidence had been destroyed,
and it was impossible to keep step
with Mr. Lloyd George.

"If we said we were ready to
march side by side we should be
ready to fall out of step within
a short time. It is not we, but he
who changes step. It is not Lord
Asquith and his friends who are
responsible for disunion."

Viscount Grey thought Mr.
Lloyd George's speech about
China was detrimental to British
interests and would make a set-
tlement of the China problem more
difficult. "British policy and
reputation has already been very
unfairly represented in China.
That any leading man in public
life in Britain should have made a
speech to add to this impression
abroad is most unfortunate."

When the resolution was passed
on Nov. 24, the Asquithians,
headed by Mr. Vivian Phillips,
walked out in protest.—*Reuter.*

Rugby, Dec. 14.
Three hundred prominent Lib-
erals attended the Party dinner,
including the "Shadow cabinet"
signatories of a letter supporting
Lord Oxford's attitude towards Mr.
Lloyd George after the general
strike.

Viscount Grey's speech in
which the cause and consequences
of the differences in the Liberal
Party were frankly examined, was
enthusiastically received. He de-
clared they were not prepared to
concede the fact that confidence
had been destroyed by Mr. Lloyd
George's conduct in regard to the
disposition of party funds, which
he controlled, by the manner in
which his land campaign had
been launched, by his action dur-
ing the general strike, by his more
recent speech on China, and by his
suggestion that the Liberal ideal
should be merely to hold the bal-
ance of power in the future; in
Parliament and insist on terms
with the Labour Party.—*British
Wireless.*

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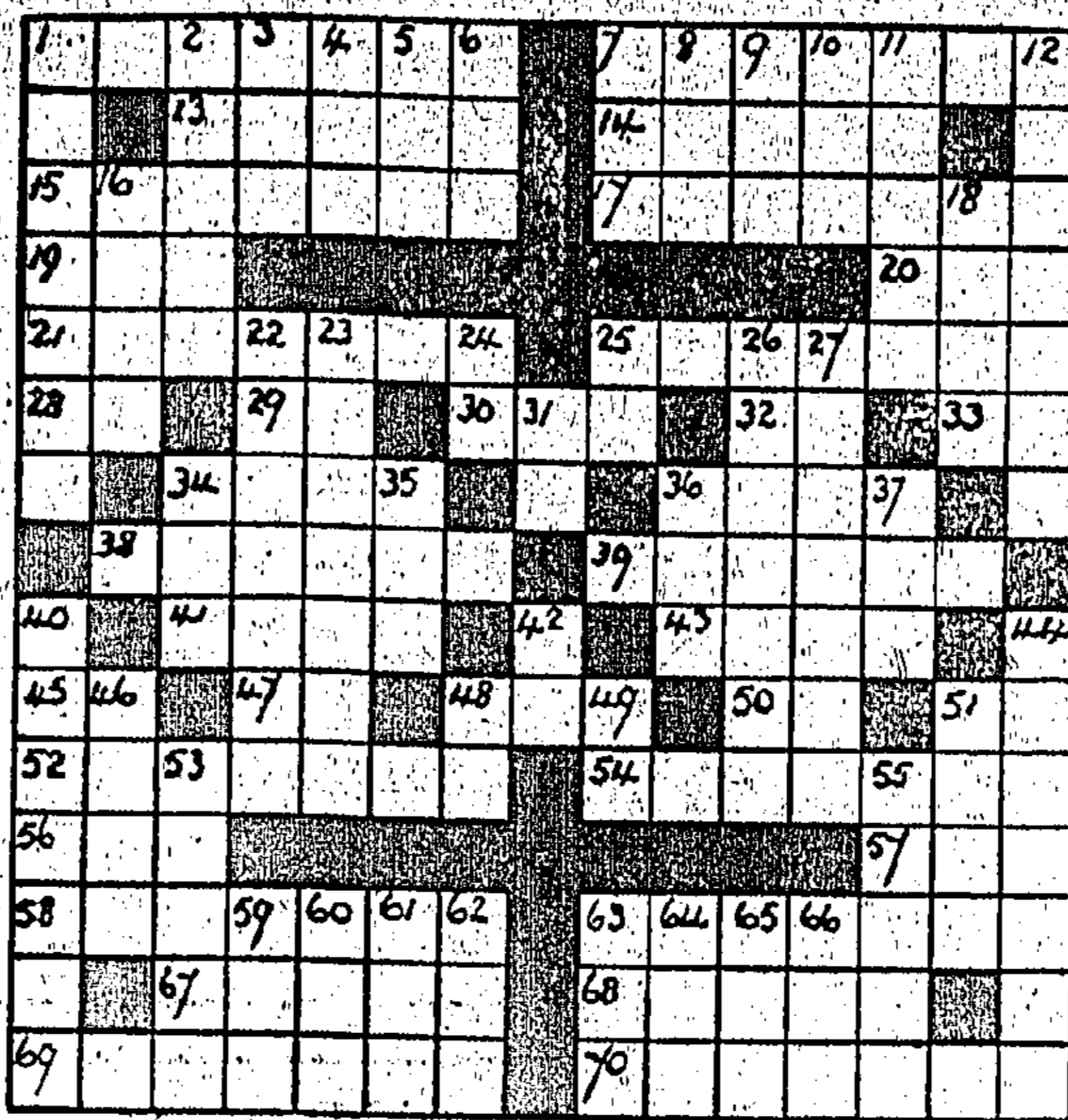
MR. C. H. BELL.

A telegram has been received
in Shanghai announcing the death
of Mr. Cyril Hennessey Bell, A.C.A.,
head of the Hankow branch of
the firm of Thomson & Co., char-
tered accountants.

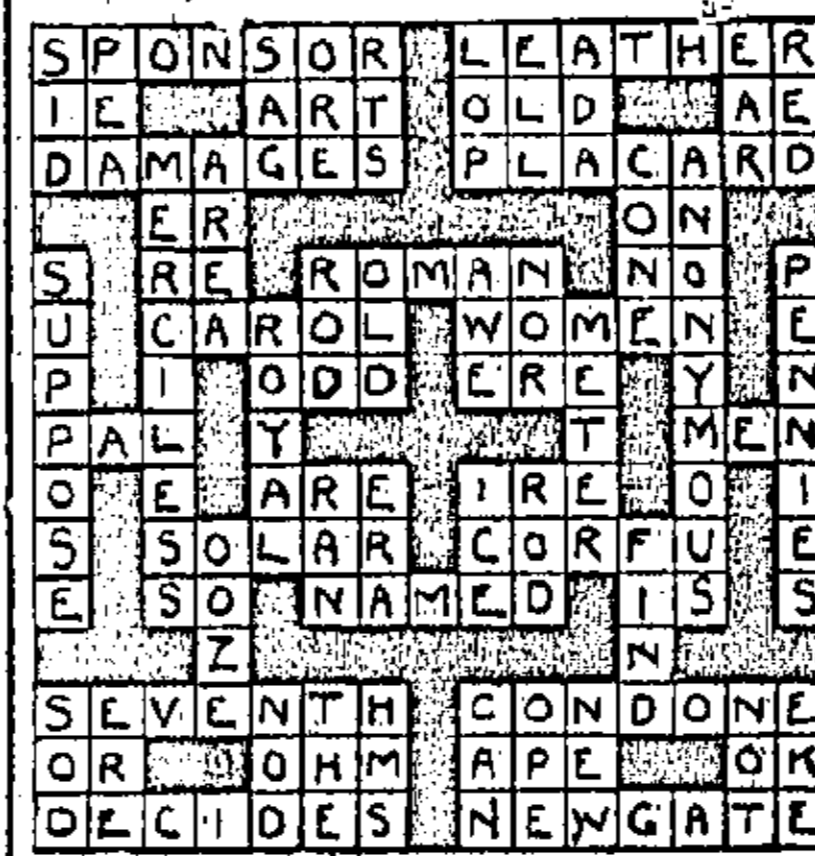
The late Mr. Bell, who was a
little over 40 years of age, arrived
in Shanghai about 15 years ago to
join the firm of Thomson & Co.,
and after a short stay went to
Hankow to open a branch of the
firm in that port, and he remained
in charge of the branch continuously
up to the time of his death.

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stock, Mr. Bell inherited the most
pronounced sporting instincts of
the race. In his time he owned
and trained many race ponies in
Hankow, and though proverbially
as blind as a bat and having none
too robust a constitution, he
insisted on riding his own ponies
both on the flat and in steep-
chases, and he was a regular
thruster in the country, riding the
straightest and hardest course of
any. His physical handicaps pre-
vented him becoming a great
jockey, but he was not without his
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first past the post. He counted
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every possible occasion for sheer
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- Across.
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 7. To lead.
 10. Repeat.
 14. Vegetable.
 15. Changed.
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 20. A curved bone.
 21. Enrols.
 25. To hamper.
 28. You and I.
 29. Negative.
 30. Promoun.
 32. Medical officer (Abb.).
 33. In the matter of.
 34. Measure of land.
 36. Mother's sister.
 38. Strainer.
 39. A prayer book.
 41. To labour.
 43. Wild animal.
 45. Association of motorists.
 47. Point of compass.
 48. Part of verb "to be."
 50. Signifies refusal.
 51. Point of compass.
 52. The state of a thing.
 54. A wealthy man.
 56. Possessive pronoun.
 57. Small lump of material.
 58. Fortification.
 63. Seaweed.
 67. A kind of peep-show.
 68. Command.
 69. Having much knowledge.
 70. Defectiveness.
- Down.
1. Unprofessional.
 2. Deadly.
 3. Length of life.
 4. Fasten.
 5. Untruth.
 6. Finish.
 7. Conical ball of thread.
 8. Single.
 9. None.
 10. Small spot.
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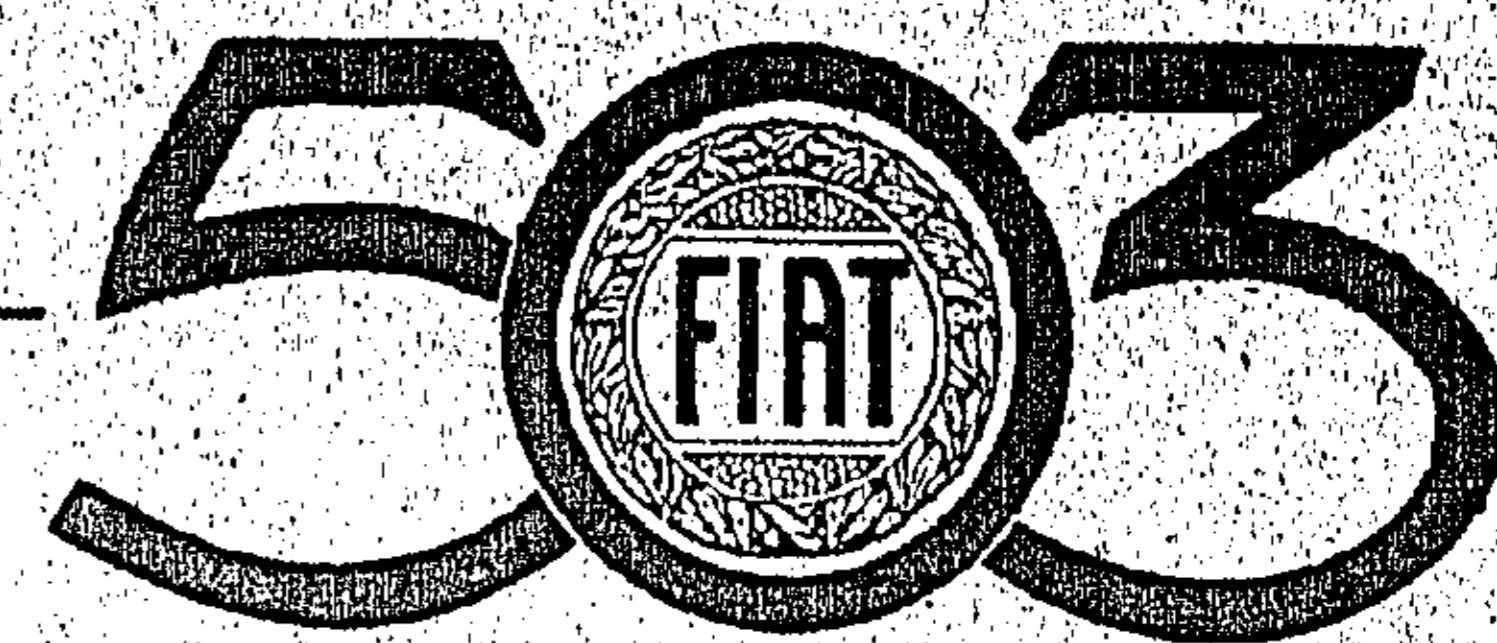
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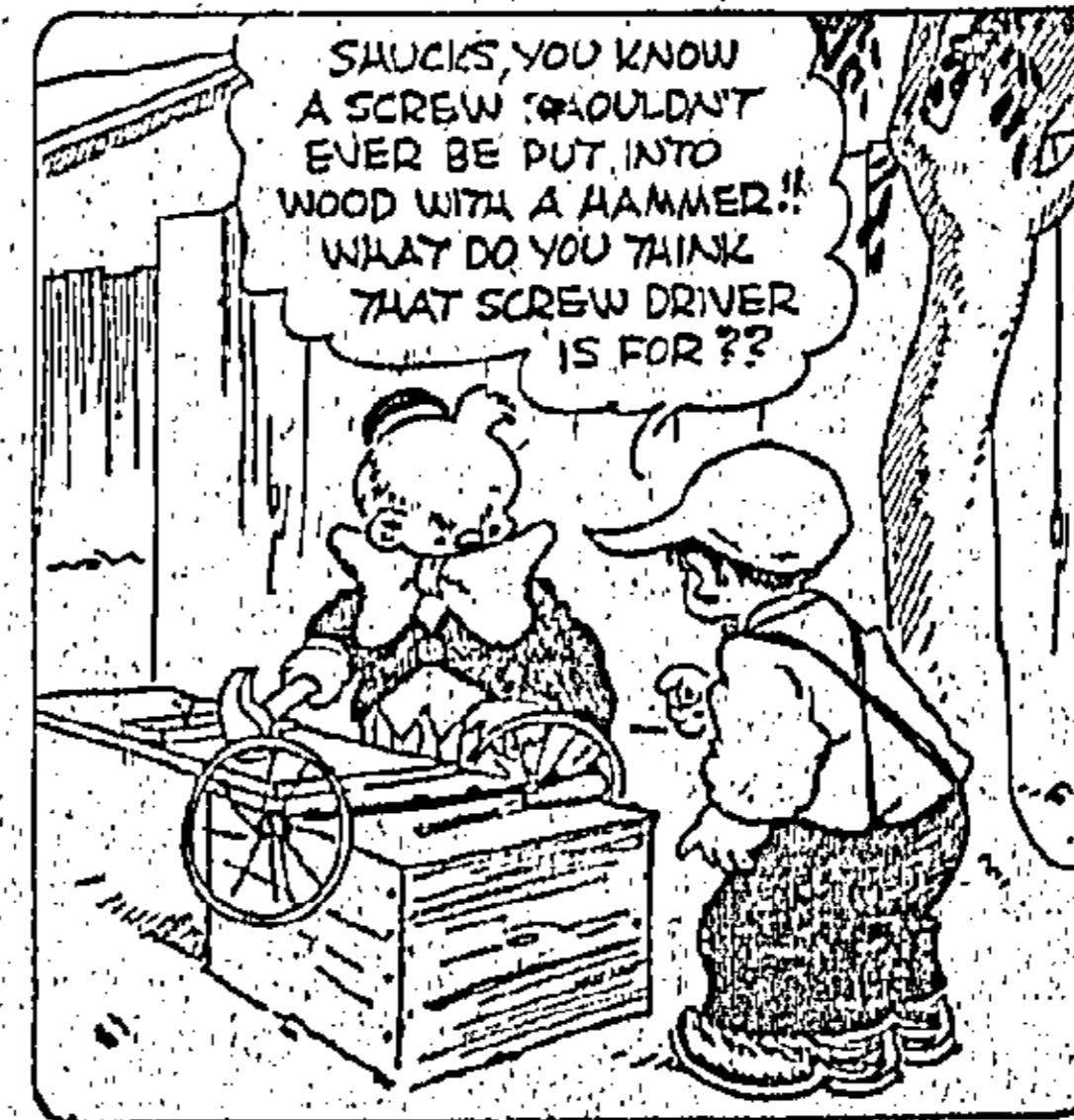
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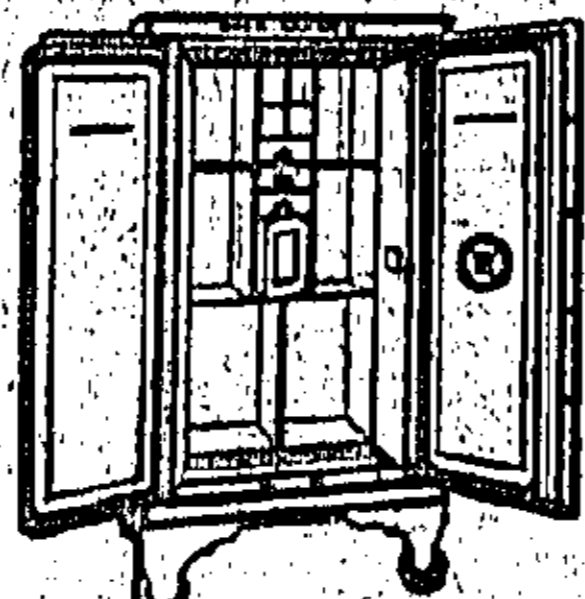
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The Telegraph

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 15, 1926.

UNKINDLY CHURLS.

Puck was wiser than most of us
realise when he exclaimed "Lord,
what fools these mortals be," for
if he could sit up aloft and look
at this little Colony of Hongkong
and note the doings and sayings of
people in connection with the Phil-
harmonic Society's presentation of
"The Pirates of Penzance" he would
perforce have to hold his sides in
spasms of satirical yet saddening
laughter. Here we are a little for-
eign community almost marooned
regarding theatre entertainment on a
far-away isle, longing for taste-
ful and educational diversion and
generally full of lament at the star-
vation we suffer so far as social
enjoyments go. One or two of the
more adventurous have kept us
from utter submersion by their
efforts in the A.D.C., the Phil-
harmonic Society, the Male Voice
Choir, etc., and theirs is a worthy
enthusiasm, surely? For weeks
past some few dozen men and wo-
men have been swooning and work-
ing to produce a Gilbert and Sul-
livan opera. Principals, chorus,
orchestra, directors, and everybody
concerned have put in an enormous
amount of hard work, just for the
love of the thing; and the result is
an extremely enjoyable "show."
One can hear again the brilliant
versifying and sparkling wit of Gil-
bert and the beautiful lyrics of Sul-
livan. Was there ever a wittier
or cleverer piece of doggerel than
"A modern Major-General" or a
more haunting melody than "Poor
wandering one? Surely, we ought
to have our minds more on the en-
joyment of those gems than on the
little lack of first-class quality
which is inseparable from amateur
enterprise?

And yet this week's presentation
by the Philharmonic Society has
brought heartless and very unkind
condemnation on the heads of those
who have tried to entertain us. In
our Sunday contemporary there
was a "criticism" by "Thespian"
which for pompous superiority and
downright animosity would be hard
to beat. In yesterday's Morning
Post an anonymous correspondent
got an obvious "grouch" off his
chest by slamming at practically
everything and everybody taking

part. We mourn for entertain-
ment and proceed to bash on the
head anybody who tries to provide
it. That is rather a remarkable
proceeding, to say the least of it.
The newspapers are generally ac-
cused of saying that everything is
fine and beautiful whether it really
is so or not, and although there is
an occasional use of extravagant
language by a reporter striving to
say something which will please, we
would like to know what it would
profit us, or our readers, or those
of whom we would write, if we
condemned and damned all that was
not absolutely perfect. These peo-
ple who crave for the bare,
unadorned and naked truth gen-
erally do the cravest as regards
other people, and to them we would
say that they are not more original,
more discerning, or better qualified
to judge than are others. They
are only more churlish and snob-
bish. We are not going to pretend
in this column that the "Pirates of
Penzance" is a perfectly produced
opera and that its principals,
chorus and orchestra could not be
improved upon, but we do maintain
that the production is an eminently
worthy one, that it can be thorough-
ly enjoyed and that all concerned
are deserving of compliments and
encouragement. Gratuitous and
self-appointed critics who fail to
keep before them a keen realisation
of the real difficulties, the hard
work cheerfully performed and the
unselfish purpose of those who en-
gage in amateur theatre produc-
tions can well be ignored as just
so many unkindly churls who do
nothing but darken our social
gloom.

The Strike Weapon.

If we are to judge from a recent
statement by Mr. J. R. Clynes,
Labourites at Home have come to
the conclusion that there are better
and more effective means of secur-
ing industrial rights than by the
use of the general strike weapon.
Whilst the coal strike was still in
progress, Mr. Clynes asserted that
another general stoppage would
end in disaster. He admitted that
the strike weapon in reserve had
been invaluable, but said it should
be sparingly used, and, when em-
ployed, it should be against the
particular parties against whom
there was a grievance, and not upon
the nation. "In most cases," he
added, "a substitute for the strike
is the vote." Form some other re-
marks which Mr. Clynes made, it
is clear that Labour now realises
the danger of losing public sym-
pathy by resorting to extreme
methods. That was strongly evi-
dent on the occasion of the last gen-
eral strike. It is not that the
public may not sympathise with
reasonable demands on behalf of
the workers, but what is strongly
resented is that any body of men
should seek to hold up the whole
nation in order to wring conces-
sions from employers. That is sheer
tyranny, and as such will never be
tolerated by the British public.
"In no country in the world," says
Mr. Clynes, "have the working
classes and their friends a finer op-
portunity than is offered in Eng-
land for the use of their political
power," and he spoke words of wis-
dom when he appealed to the work-
ers to cultivate a fearless and
awakened political intelligence,
operating through constitutional
methods. If the industrial unrest
of the year now ending has not pro-
duced anything more valuable than
this recognition of the folly of the
unrestrained use of the strike
weapon, the troubles experienced will
not have been in vain.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Rugby, Dec. 14.
Paris	122 1/2
Geneva	25.00
Berlin	23.25
Oslo	19.15
Helsingfors	19.25
Rio	5.65/64
Shanghai	2.65/4
New York	4.84/104
Amsterdam	12.125
Stockholm	18.145
Vienna	34.80
Madrid	31.34
Buenos Aires	46.7/16
Hongkong	1/11.9/16
Brussels	84.80 25
Milan	109%
Copenhagen	18.205
Prague	163.11/16
Lisbon	2.17/32
Bombay	1/5.49/64
Yokohama	2/0.8/16
Silver (spot)	24.19/16
Silver (forward)	24.7/8

—British Wireless.

DAY BY DAY.

WE ADVOCATE EDUCATION, NOT
MERELY TO MAKE THE MAN THE
BETTER WORKMAN, BUT THE WORK-
MAN THE BETTER MAN.—Lord
Aberbury.

There was a clean bill of health
in the Colony yesterday.

The B.I. steamer Talma is to
leave Amoy to-morrow and is due
here on the following day.

"Wake Up Hongkong."—This
subject has been sufficiently well
ventilated, and correspondence
thereon is now closed.

The forthcoming wedding is
announced of Mr. Walter Shillito
Vaughan Curtis, electrical en-
gineer, 23 A. Cameron Road, Kow-
loon, to Miss Mercer of the Italian
Convent Caine Road.

Five British vessels arrived in
port and a similar number departed
during the 24 hours up to nine
o'clock this morning. The total
arrivals were nine and departures
fourteen. The total number of
ships in harbour was seventy-one.

Mr. H. W. Stevenson, the world
famous billiard player, passed
through Hongkong yesterday en-
route to Shanghai and Japan on
the s.s. Takliwa. Mr. Stevenson
expects to return to the Colony
about January 6th, and will play
at several local Clubs.

From Messrs. Holyoak, Massey
and Co. we have received a
handy little diary containing many
facts in regard to electrical equip-
ment as well as a comprehensive
map of China. It is issued by the
Westinghouse Electric Interna-
tional Company.

Awakened by the flash of an
electric torch, the inmates of a mat-
shed near No. 99, Wongneichong
Road, were robbed of money, cloth-
ing and jewellery valued at \$120 in
the early hours of this morning.
The robber was armed with a re-
volver.

A workman at the University,
whilst cleaning one of the win-
dows of the Great Hall yesterday
afternoon, fell and was killed.
Some of the students who were
preparing to take their examina-
tions examined the man with a
view to rendering first aid, but
found that life was extinct.

The return of the number of
cases of notifiable disease which
occurred in the Colony during the
week ended Saturday last, shows
two Chinese cases of diphtheria,
one of which was fatal, and eight
Chinese cases of enteric fever, of
which one was imported and five
fatal. One Chinese case of dip-
theria was reported on Monday.

The Secretariat for Chinese
Affairs will be removed during the
Christmas holidays from the pre-
sent offices in Beaconsfield Arcade
to more commodious premises in
the New Fire Station building
opposite the Central Market. The
offices of the Education Depart-
ment and the Imports and Exports
Department will also be removed
to the new building.

The following ships are expect-
ed to be in wireless communica-
tion with Hongkong to-day:—
Nanning, Kum Sang, Aki Maru,
Kashima Maru, Pres. McKinley,
Pres. Wilson, Borealis, Andes
Maru, Kiangchow, Haining, Sin-
kiang, Gemma, Fushimi Maru,
Fingal, Chakrang, Japan, Lung
Shan, Mausang, Hozan Maru,
Hector, Tjikarang, Tipanas, Myr-
midon, Prosper, Kotsu Maru, For-
tuna, Anhui, Uga Maru, Dainis-
him Maru and Talma.

A middle aged European
boarder of the Kowloon Hotel
was charged before Mr. J.H.B.
Nihill at the Kowloon Magistracy
yesterday with failing to pay for
his board and lodging. Mr.
Perry, manager of the Hotel,
applied for permission to with-
draw the charge, stating that he
believed that the defendant was
unable to pay the \$91 due but
would settle his bill as soon as
he possibly could. The case was
merely brought to show that
things could not be done with im-
punity. His Worship granted the
application and dismissed the
case.

THE EMPEROR OF JAPAN.

PRINCE REGENT DECIDES TO
STAY WITH FATHER.

Tokyo, Dec. 14.
The Prince Regent's intention of
returning to Tokyo to-day has been
cancelled owing to the Emperor's
condition.—Rout.

PRETTY WEDDING.

WELL-KNOWN CHINESE
MARRIED.

An interesting and extremely
pretty wedding took place this
afternoon at the Church of Christ
in China, Bonham Road, when Miss
Ruby H. Y. To, daughter of Mr.
D. Jackson, manager of the Wing
On Co., Ltd., was married to Mr.
William W. L. Ma, eldest son of
Mr. Ma Wing Chan, managing di-
rector of Messrs. Sincere and
Company's Chinese department.
The bridegroom has been in charge
of Messrs. Sincere's buying office
in London recently, returning to
the Colony in April. After the
Chinese New Year, the newly-wed
couple expect to return to England.

The bride, who was given away
by her father, was attired in a
gown of flesh pink satin, embroide-
red in pastel colours, with a net veil
and pearl bandeaux and orange
blossom, and carried a bouquet of
white chrysanthemums and white
roses. She had as her brides-
maids Misses Ada Kwok, Lily To,
Elsie Ma and Annie Ma, whilst
Miss Mary Lee attended as matron
of honour and Miss Kum Oi as
flower girl. The bridesmaids were
attired in dresses of pale mauve,
pale orange and pale green geor-
gette, trimmed with silver lace and
beads, and they carried bouquets
of pink and white roses.

Mr. Ma Hin-wing, cousin of the
bridegroom, was the "best man,"
and Mr. Ma Wai-man attended as
groomsman.

The officiating clergyman was
the Rev. E. W. L. Martin, assisted
by the Rev. Lee Kai-yan, whilst

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

ANOTHER VARIED
PROGRAMME.

The management of the Queen's
Theatre still continues its policy
of offering attractively varied pro-
grammes. At present, in addition
to an interesting news reel, there
is being shown "The Snob," a very
powerful story with a practically
all-star cast, the leading parts
being taken by John Gilbert and
Norma Shearer. There is plenty
of action in this picture, which
makes a strong appeal by reason
of its all-round excellence and a
well-contrived romance.

A further attraction is provided
by Dick Norton and his clever
little band of "Globe Trotters,"
who give some new items which
supply a happy mixture of mirth
and music.
Something really good is
promised for the three days from
to-morrow to Saturday, when
Gloria Swanson will be seen in
"The Humming Bird."

the service was choral, Dr. S. W.
Fun being at the organ.

Subsequent to the ceremony a re-
ception was held at No. 3, Kennedy
Road, the home of the bridegroom,
and to-morrow night a dinner party
is to take place at the Yee Wo
Restaurant, West Point.

The bride's gift to the bride-
groom was a gold pocket watch
whilst the bridegroom gave the
bride a diamond and platinum wrist
watch. Other gifts included:—
Bridegroom's father to bride,
cheque; bridegroom's mother to
bride, diamond bracelet.

The Very Idea!

At the recent British motor
show, the cars which attracted
most comment were those with a
body designed by the son of H. G.
Wells, noted novelist and thinker.

Rajah S. M. Saadat Ali Khan,
of Nannar, India, has just had an
automobile built especially for
tiger hunting. A British firm
made the machine. The automo-
bile has a 50-horsepower motor
and accommodates six passengers.
There is a special light to dazzle
the tigers. Turned on at night,
this bewilders and fascinates the
beasts of the jungle. The car is
equipped with a plant for cooling
water, and special ammunition
cartridges concealed in the body.
It is said the machine cost
\$20,000 (gold).

When Joseph Conrad, consider-
ed by many authorities
the greatest novelist of all time first
landed in New York, he insisted
to reporters who asked him for
literary opinions that he knew
nothing about such things. "I
am not a literary man," he said,
going into his shell. There you
have the almost universal ear-
mark of a really great man. No
matter how far he hits the ball, no
matter what laurels garland his
brow, he sees a goal beyond; the
better, bigger thing to be done.
He continues to insist that he has
done nothing as yet, that he knows
nothing.

It is the little fellow who has
accomplished very little who
struts his stuff and asks the
whole world to bear witness to
his mighty prowess!

"Perhaps it is best after all,"
remarked the rejected suitor as
he lingered in the hall. "A man
of twenty-five would soon tire of
a wife who hovered round the
thirty-two mark."

"Why, Mr. Ardent," said the
woman in the case, "how very
ungallant of you to insinuate that
I am thirty-two!"
"Well, perhaps you are not,"
he replied, but it certainly struck
me that you were somewhere near
the freezing point."

Women's clubs of America
spend more than 200 million
dollars yearly, comments Ida
Clyde Clark, writer and lecturer.
She comments that most of this
200 million dollars is flished from
husbands' pants pockets. She
frazzes sex barriers in club work
singularly clever, with their fin-
gers, but a watchmaker, born
stopped working as sex groups
blind, is seldom heard of. Such a
man, Thomas Rippin, lived at
Holbeach, Lincolnshire. Born
blind, he could take apart and put
together again watches of most
delicate mechanism, and in less
time than most watchmakers who
have good eyesight. Once some-
body about the same thing, and
why of the wheels and screws he
used should we?

HAPPY VALLEY
"ROW.""BOY" SUES EUROPEAN FOR
ASSAULT.

SEQUEL TO SINGING.

The rattle of moving furniture, the premature call of representatives of a certain class of coolies whose work is done in the hours of the night, and, lastly, the loud voice of a young Chinese lad raised in song, were submitted as "legitimate" causes for complaint in an assault case heard by Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Police Court this morning.

Shek-ha, 13, a "boy" employed at the recently-opened "The Kid" Cafe at Happy Valley, summoned Mr. B. King, a director of the Dragon Motor Car Company, Ltd., for assault. Mr. W. L. Gordon Leask appeared for the complainant, while Mr. F. C. Vaux represented the defendant.

At the outset, Mr. Vaux asked for permission for his client to take a seat beside him.

Mr. Lindsell:—Is he sick?
Mr. Vaux replied in the negative. It was for the purpose of receiving instructions.

THE ASSAULT.

Mr. Leask, in opening his case, said that the complainant was employed at "The Kid," a cafe which had been opened for about three months at No. 8, Koon Ma Terrace, Happy Valley. This was in premises adjacent to those tenanted by Mr. King, at No. 6. Between the two houses there was a yard common to both and of which common use was made by both tenants.

On the evening in question, said Mr. Leask, at about 8 o'clock on the 3rd December, without any cause or provocation whatever, Mr. King came out of his house, went into the premises of "The Kid," seized the boy by the neck, and slapped as well as kicked him. There was some complaint made about noise, but in any event the boy could not understand. Certainly he gave no provocation whatever.

In giving evidence, the boy said that he was busy cleaning up the furniture in the yard, when two coolie-women, whose business should have been carried out at a much later hour, called, and he was commencing to remonstrate with them when water was thrown at him from the next house. He was drenched from head to foot, but, beyond a few words uttered in remonstration, he took no further notice. Later, as he was taking in the furniture, the defendant rushed in after him, and while with one hand seizing him by the neck, he slapped witness with the other, twice.

Mr. Leask described it as a "wind-mill blow," and, in further examination, witness said that he was also struck with the clenched fist and kicked.

SANG AT WORK.

Witness, replying to the Magistrate, said he could not think of any provocation being given for the assault, although he admitted that he sang whilst he worked.

Mr. Vaux said that the story given by the boy was wholly different to what he had expected it to be. His own case was that the boy was creating a disturbance by singing, and, when spoken to by Mr. King's cook, he threw pumelo skin through the window grating and smashed some crockery. The window was placed high above the ground, and the boy had to climb and hold on to the bars to effect his purpose.

In cross-examination, the complainant denied that he threw any missile into the kitchen. Objection was taken to his singing, though.

Mr. Ngan Sai-leung, the proprietor of "The Kid," deposed that on the night of the 3rd December, at about 8.30, on hearing a big noise issuing from the yard, he went out to investigate, and found the "boy" crying. Witness then understood that some complaint had been made against the noise made in the washing, but had never received any personal complaint from Mr. King himself. He took the "boy" to the doctor, from whom a certificate was received.

WOULD SPOIL BUSINESS.

Examined by Mr. Leask, Mr. Ngan said they had customers in the front part of the Cafe at the time, and it would spoil his business, newly opened as it was, to have incidents such as these.

Mr. Vaux (cross-examining):—I suppose you will agree that half of the yard belongs to your side and the other half belongs to the other side?—Quite; I do.

MORE CAPITAL.

FURTHER \$1,000,000
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TO-DAY'S COMPANY MEETING.

A capital increase of \$1,000,000 was authorised by shareholders of the Hongkong and Territorial Estates, Limited, at an extraordinary general meeting held at St. George's Building this morning.

The shares will not be issued to shareholders generally, but will be allotted in such manner and for such purposes as the Consulting Committee shall decide.

Mr. R. G. Sheehan occupied the chair, and there were also present Mr. E. M. Raymond (consulting committee), Mr. M. H. Turner (secretary), Mr. A. Braun (secretary) and the following shareholders: Messrs. A. A. Botelho, D. W. Munton, A. Keith, A. L. Shields, J. Toppin, H. Dreyer, and I. W. Sheehan.

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen. The object of the resolutions in the notice just read is to raise further working capital by creating and issuing further preference shares in addition to those already created all of which have been allotted, and most of the allotment monies utilised in meeting various obligations of the Company.

We have now further heavy payments to meet, and we therefore propose to create such further preference shares to rank *pari passu* in all respects with the existing preference shares.

We are not offering these shares to shareholders generally, as we do not think that in the present state of the money market any appreciable number of them would be taken up. There is, however, one shareholder, a large creditor who, we believe, is willing to come to our help, and we are therefore asking you to allow your Managers and Consulting Committee to make the best arrangements possible under the circumstances in respect of the allotment thereof.

I therefore propose as an ordinary resolution, "That the capital of the Company be increased by the creation of one hundred thousand new shares of \$10 each to be called preference shares which shall carry the same special rights and privileges as are attached to the existing preference shares and shall in all respects rank *pari passu* therewith."

Mr. M. Raymond seconded, and the resolution was unanimously passed.

The Chairman proposed "That the said new one hundred thousand preference shares shall be allotted at such time or times and in such manner and for such purposes in every respect as the Company's General Managers with the sanction of the Consulting Committee may decide."

Mr. H. Dreyer seconded, and the resolution was carried unanimously.

This was all the business of the meeting.

Have you had any complaints about the use of the yard from the defendant?—Complaints? No.

Mr. Leask put in the doctor's certificate, and his Worship said it only mentioned marks on the face.

Mr. Leask:—Your Worship will notice that it was at 9.30 when the boy was examined,—an hour after the incident. At least, it will be evidence that the boy had been slapped, severely.

Mr. Vaux:—It is admitted that the defendant slapped the boy twice on the face. The matter is one dealt with under Section No. 39 of the Ordinance, and I ask that it be dismissed. I have already told your Worship the reason of this technical assault and of what had happened. The boy had been obviously noisy and had previously been spoken to by the defendant's servants.

Mr. M. King, called to the box, said that he was away all day, and complained that he had been disturbed at his meal by a "rattle and crash" issuing from the yard. His cook came in to make a complaint, and he went into the kitchen, where a broken dish was shown to him and also a pumelo skin which had been thrown in through the window and caused the damage.

ONLY SLAPS.

Going into the yard, he followed the boy into the premises of the Cafe, and slapped him twice, but did not strike him. The boy did not cry; he said "Yah, yah" or

DANISH POLITICS.

CHANGES CAUSED BY
ELECTIONS.

Copenhagen, Dec. 14.

The elections for the Folkething has resulted in the Liberals and Conservatives combined obtaining a majority of five over all other parties, and a majority of eight against the United Socialists and Radicals.

The position of the parties in the Folkething is now similar to that in the Landsting. The results were:—Socialists 53, Liberals 47, Conservatives 30, Radicals 16, Germans 1, and Righteous State Party 2. In consequence of the defeat, the Socialist Premier, Th. A. M. Stauning, has resigned, and the Socialists have refused to participate in the formation of a coalition ministry.

M. Myrdal, a well-known agriculturist member of the Folkething, has formed a Liberal Ministry, with himself as Premier and Minister of Agriculture; M. Moltesen, Foreign Affairs; M. Neergaard, Finance; M. Rytter, Justice; M. Slesager, Commerce; M. Kragh, Interior; M. Brorssen, Defence; M. Bruun Rasmussen, Public Works; M. Bystkov, Education; M. Rubow, Public Health; and M. Stensballe, Public Works.—*Reuter*.

MEXICAN OIL LEASES.

PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION
COMPLAINS.

New York, Dec. 14.

The Association of Producers of Oil in Mexico, on behalf of sixteen leading Anglo-American Companies, has telegraphed to the Mexican Secretary of Commerce, complaining that many months have elapsed since it applied for confirmation of its rights in respect of leases acquired before May, 1917, and it is still without an answer.

The companies submit that they are justly entitled to ample opportunity to consider the final terms of any confirmatory concessions which the Government expects them to accept as a valid recognition of their rights.

The telegram reiterates that the law does not provide adequate preservation or valid recognition of their pre-constitutional rights.—*Reuter's American Service*.

something to that effect. They were fairly smart slaps. After the chastisement, he returned to his house and resumed his dinner.

Mr. Leask:—You heard this crash of crockery. Why did you slap the complainant?—Because my cook-boy had told me that he broke the crockery.

Why did you pick him out? Have you had occasion to have trouble with him before?—I have not. My cook-boy told me who the offender was.

He did not come out to point out the complainant?—Yes; he did point him out.

At the same time that he was struck why did you not pick on the witness next to him?—As a matter of fact I was going to start on this man, when the cook-boy told me it was not him.

So you were ready to pick on anybody that night?—Anybody that night, irrespective of whether he was big or small.

It was possible that the cook-boy might have broken that crockery himself?—Well, it was possible. It was possible also that I might do it myself.

But you would know if it was you who broke it.

Mr. Leask then put what he termed as a "nasty question." He put it to witness that there was legitimate cause for complaint from the proprietor of a Cafe to have these coolie-women going about their business at an hour when he still had customers— which coolies were working for Mr. King.

Mr. King denied that these coolies were employed by him.

ONLY TESTIFY.

At the close of the evidence given by the cook-boy, who caused some amusement in Court by naively admitting that he did not go for the boy himself because this dish did not belong to him, Mr. Vaux submitted that the incident was a trivial one, although it did justify the assault. He asked that the summons be dismissed on these grounds.

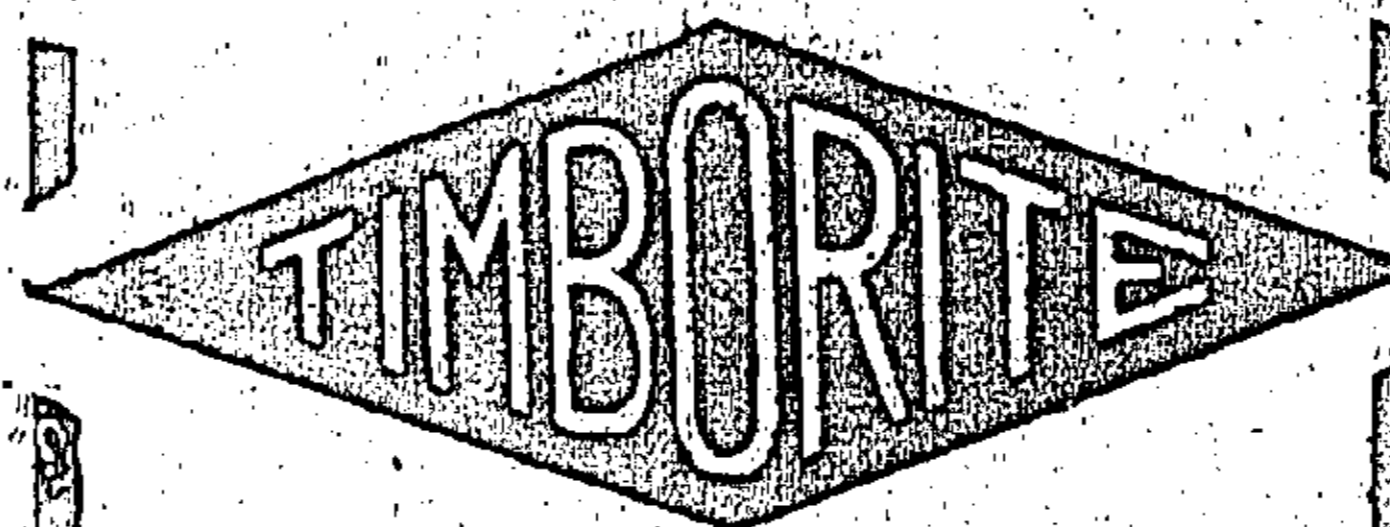
Mr. Lindsell held that there was some provocation, but it did not justify Mr. King in taking the matter into his own hands and slapping the boy. He fined the defendant \$10.

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Washington, Dec. 14. Mr. Kellogg has sent a letter to the Senate on the German claims saying a settlement has been reached without any modification of United States rights.—*Reuter's American Service*.

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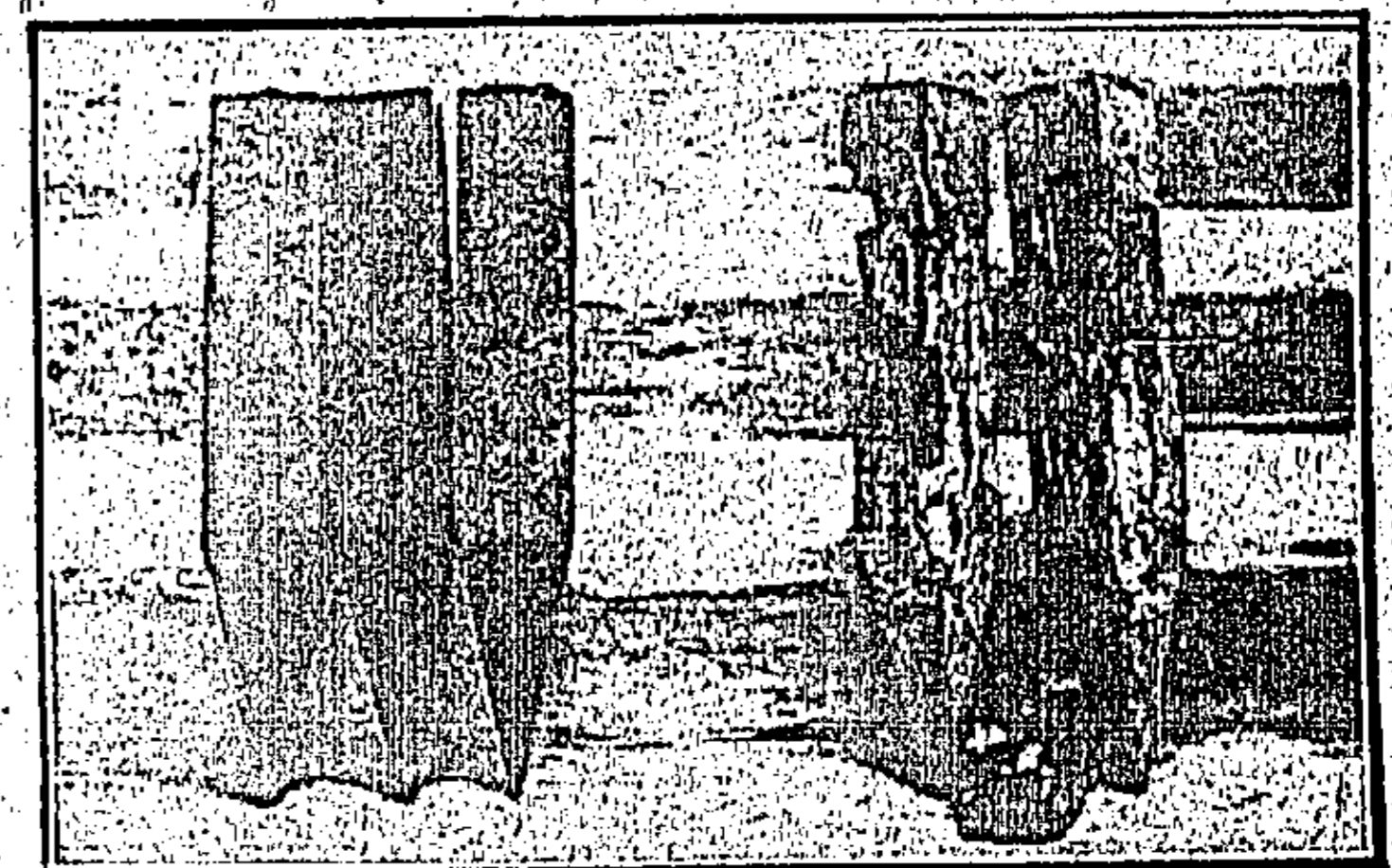
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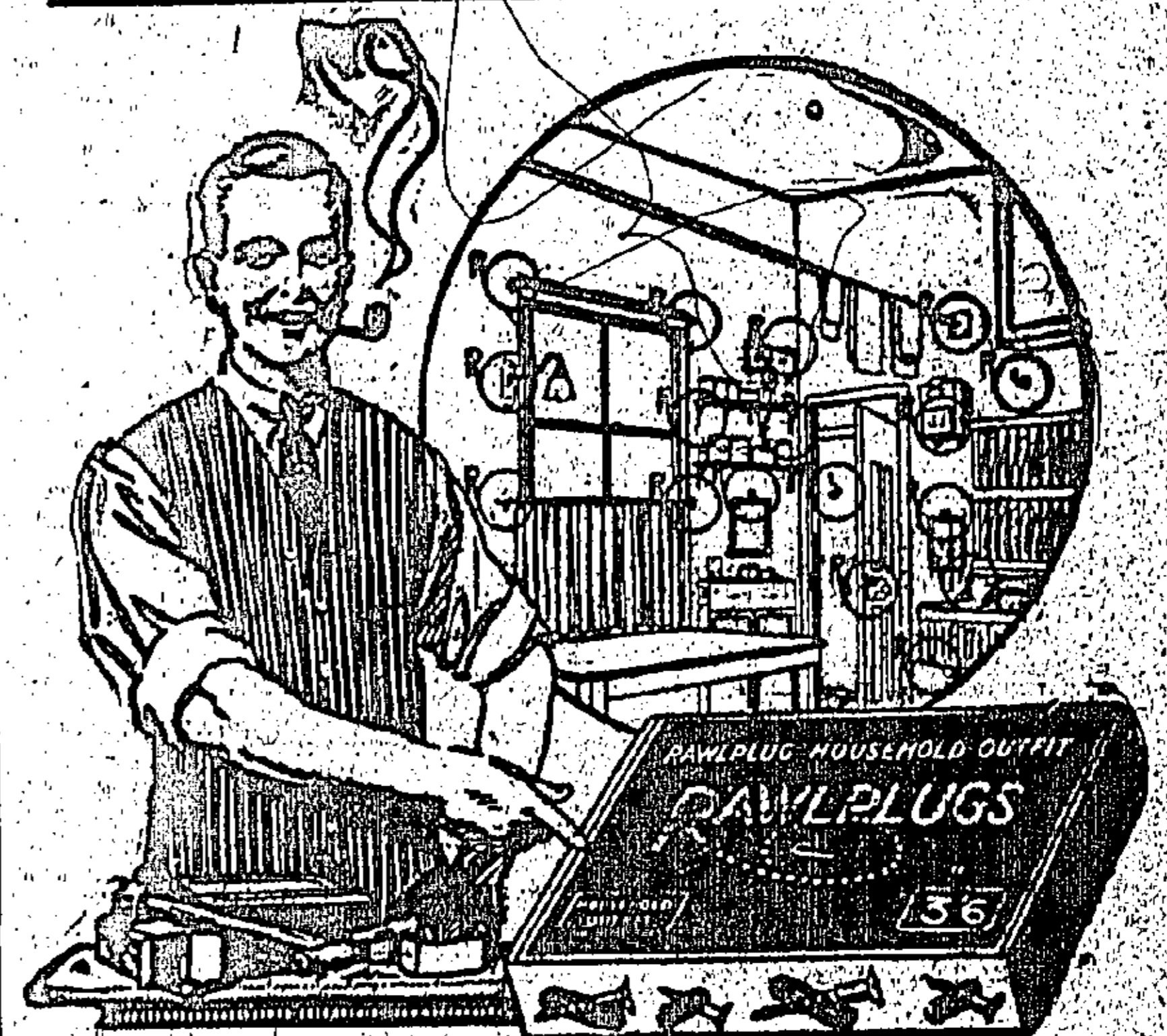
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HONGKONG BOY SCOUTS.

H. E. AT THE ANNUAL MEETING.

A general outline of the scheme for the incorporation of the Hongkong Boys Scouts' Association, was given by His Excellency the Governor at the annual meeting held at St. John's Cathedral last evening when several other speakers also briefly commented upon the Ordinance which was being drafted by Sir Henry Pollock for consideration by the Legislative Council.

His Excellency, the Chief Scout of Hongkong, presided and he was supported by the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall (President of the Association), Rev. G. T. Waldegrave (Commissioner), Col. Robertson (Assistant Commissioner), Mr. A. White (Secretary), Mr. C. H. Blasen (Treasurer), and the following members of the council, Sir Henry Pollock, Major General C. C. Luard, Sir Henry Gollan, Admiral Sir Edwyn A. Sinclair and Mrs. Southern. Others present included the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Dr. S. V. T'so, Mr. W. W. Hornell C. I. E., Capt. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. E. Ralphs, Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, Professor L. Forster, Mr. J. A. Fraser and numerous scout masters and members of the association.

The Annual Report.

Mr. A. White giving the annual report said *inter alia*:—It is satisfactory to be able to record that in spite of the troubles through which this part of the Far East is now passing, and occasional set-backs, the lot of any organisation, Scouting in Hongkong has continued to advance. The number of Scouts of all ranks, as shown by the census taken at the end of September, has increased, and two new Troops have been formed.

Many projects which we have had in view have perforce been delayed for various reasons, in the main owing to the general unrest in China and its effect on the Colony, particularly financial. The most important of these, the formation of a Council, is being taken in hand to-day, and the next in importance, the organisation of a Training Camp for Officers, only awaits a favourable opportunity for completion, while the necessary steps for the incorporation of the Association locally and the passing of a Protection Ordinance, both of which actions have been under discussion for over a year, are being taken under the guidance of those most qualified to advise us.

The Financial Position.

Financially we need more what may be termed regular revenue. We have practically no other source of income than subscriptions, and money earned by concerts and other similar displays. While each troop is largely responsible for raising its own funds, the Association has frequently to make grants to new or necessitous Troops, to enable them to keep going or to help them to start.

Association expenses are also heavy and likely to increase, especially when the Officers' Training Courses commence as a regular part of the year's work. The Colonial Government has made us in the past a valuable grant for both these purposes, but even so this does not cover all outgoings, and we desire keenly to relieve our officers of much private expenditure which at present comes upon them.

Statistics.

Approximate Number of Scouts of all ranks in the Association 420
Number of Troops 20
Number of Wolf Cub Packs . . . 2
Number of Rover Scout Patrols . 2
Number of Instructors and Examiners, not including Scouters 42

His Excellency's Address.

His Excellency was accorded an outburst of applause on rising to address the meeting. The Chief Scout said that the meeting had been called in order that the Association might be put on a firmer and he hoped a permanent footing. As they all knew scouting began as a game for boys and aimed at teaching them to play the great game of life. It ended as a brotherhood of men of all creeds and races.

To succeed, the movement had to have the goodwill and support of the Chinese community who formed by far the largest part of the Association in Hongkong. It was therefore a very great pleasure for him to welcome at the meeting as president, his old friend Dr. Kotewall, who enjoyed the very highest degree of respect of the Chinese community whom he very worthily represented on the Legislative Council. He was also held with very high regard by all the residents in the Colony.

The fact that Dr. Kotewall had seen his way to accept the office, showed that although the Scout movement originated in Great Britain, it was capable of being acclimatised in this Colony.

His Excellency then read the letter received from Lieut-General

DISARMAMENT.

REVIEW OF THE LEAGUE'S DISCUSSION.

Rugby, Dec. 14.

Reviewing the Geneva disarmament discussions in a speech to the League of Nations Parliamentary Committee at the House of Commons last night, Lord Cecil said an agreement had been reached on the fundamental point that the object of reduction or limitation must be actual peace armaments of the different countries and that it was impossible to limit the potential war strength, which depended on various uncontrollable factors, such as geography, population and natural resources. The view generally held was that the first criterion should be the number of men. The conclusion thus based could be carefully checked by comparison of budget expenditures.

A further possible check was detailed scrutiny of expenditure on certain types of arms, such as guns and tanks.

Regarding divergent views on methods of measuring naval armaments, Lord Cecil thought a compromise might be reached by combining the limitation of total tonnage with an agreement on the future building programmes.

Air limitation was more difficult, but experts appeared to favour the limitation of total horsepower of each country's whole air force.

Lord Cecil expressed a belief that short of the disclosure of military secrets, full information on strength of each country's armed forces could be given to the League, and nothing was better calculated to create a sense of confidence.—*British Wireless.*

Sir Robert Baden-Powell appointing Dr. Kotewall as president of the local Association.

Council Seats.

Continuing His Excellency, said that the intention of the meeting was also to constitute a scout council for Hongkong and he was very glad to inform the meeting that H. E., the Naval Commander in Chief and H. E. the Officer Commanding the Troops had accepted the invitation to sit on the Council as did also the Chief Justice.

His Excellency read Sir Henry Gollan's letter accepting the post. Sir Henry accepted with the greatest readiness and intimated that he would willingly perform any service required of him.

His Excellency remarked that it was significant that if everybody accepted in that spirit he could predict a successful future.

Referring to the Ordinance incorporating the Local Association, His Excellency said that the first steps would be preparing the Bill. The Scouts Association in the United Kingdom was incorporated by Royal Charter in 1912 with His Majesty the King as President and Sir Robert Baden-Powell as Chief Scout.

Hitherto, the local Association had been affiliated to the parent Association but it was desirable now that it should be incorporated and stand on its own feet, have power to possess property, to sue and to be sued and to take a prominent position among the Associations of the Colony.

His Excellency then detailed the objects which he said would be given by Sir Henry Pollock.

Rev. Mr. Waldegrave spoke at length on the Scout movement and also referred to the incorporation Ordinance. He said that from the statistics of the Imperial Headquarters the Local Association ranked on equal lines with the County Associations in England.

The Hon. Dr. Kotewall, President, said that though the aims of the Boy Scout movement are well known to you, I should like, for the benefit of those outside the Association, to emphasise the fact that Boy Scouting is non-military and non-political, and is without distinction of class or race. On these lines the system has grown, and on these lines it continues to grow and flourish throughout the world.

During the last two years, the number of Boy Scouts has increased by over 300,000; and during the same period in this Colony it increased to such an extent that at one time the supply of available efficient officers was severely taxed. With the increase in numbers our expenses have gone up proportionately. We need more income; and it has occurred to us that the best way to secure it and to secure it regularly, is to appeal for more members, the fee being only \$10 a year. I am sure that this appeal will meet with a ready response from all sections of the community.

Gentlemen, in the Boy Scouts movement I see a great and effective influence making for the betterment of the world. It is a system which trains our youth to become good citizens, to be men of character and usefulness—men who are self-reliant and resourceful, who know the value of discipline and good order, and who are inspired by a sense of service to their neighbours. Such men will, to my mind, constitute the strongest bulwark against Bolshevism and Communism, the two evil forces which to-day threaten to subvert law and order, and to deprive us of our rights and liberty. (Applause).

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A vote of thanks to His Excellency for presiding, then closed the meeting.

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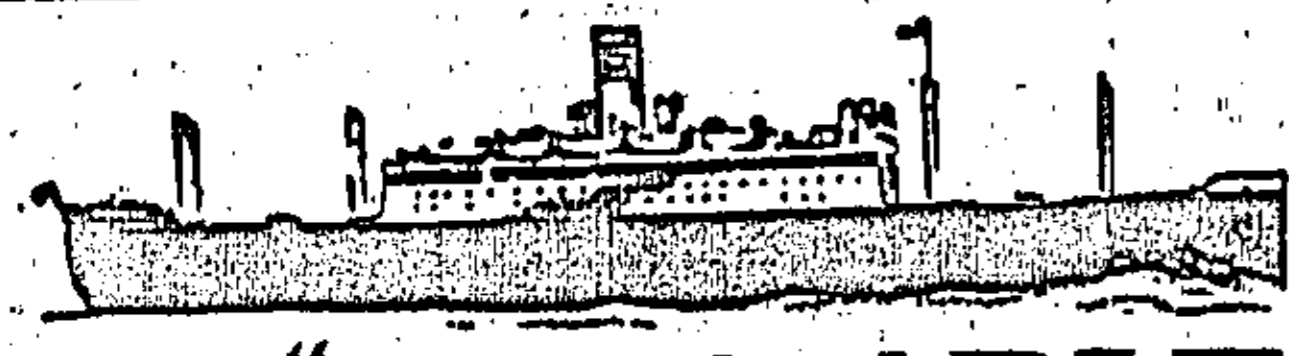
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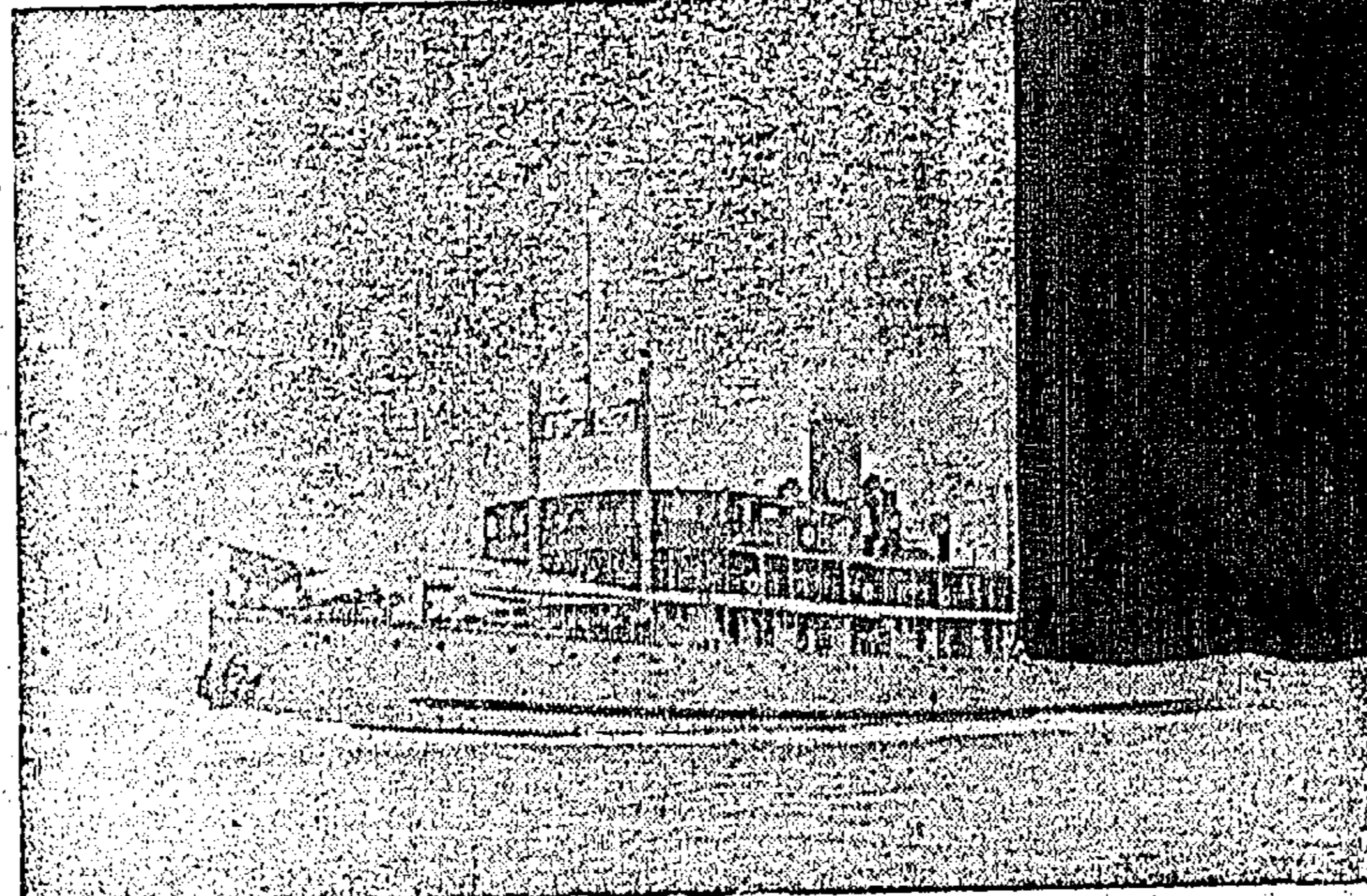
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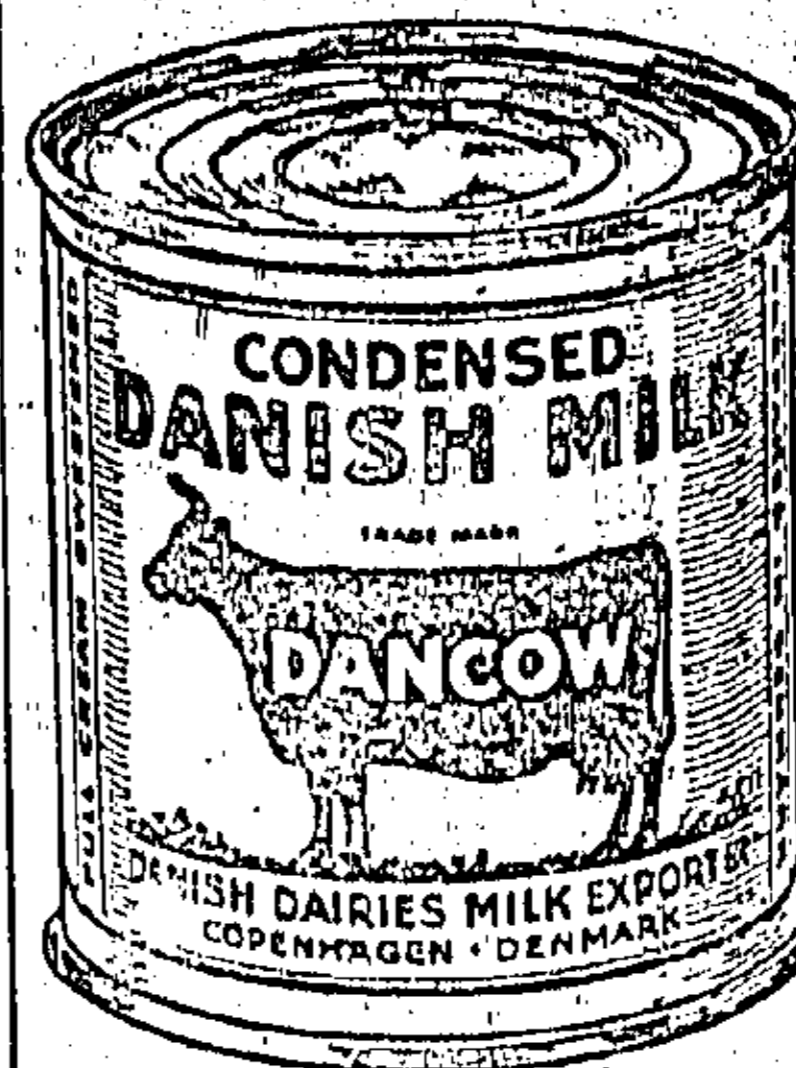
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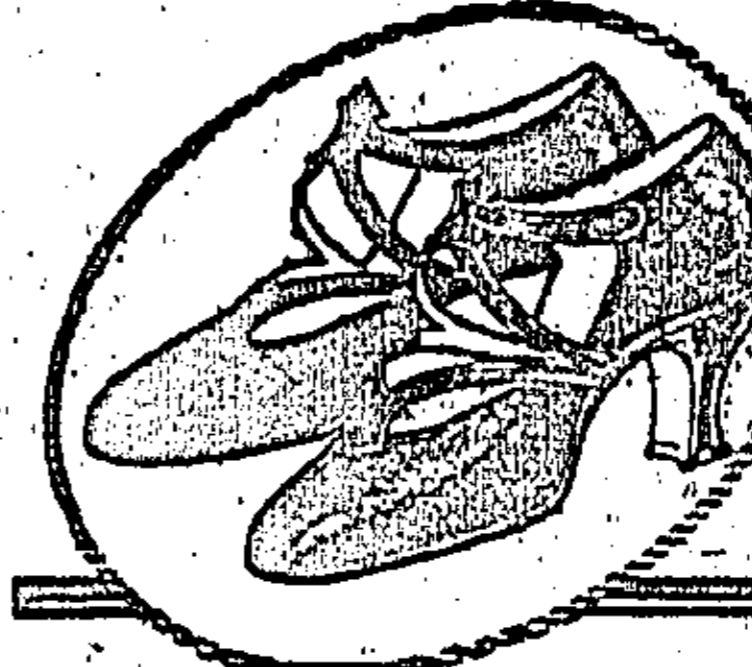
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General Hertzog, on reaching
Capetown yesterday from the Im-
perial Conference, delivered a
speech which created a deep im-
pression. He said he had hitherto
been a lifelong antagonist of Im-
perialism, but after the declara-
tion issued by the Imperial Con-
ference he no longer had the fear
of our Empire, and was convinced
that for the Dominions as for Brit-
tain there was no other path along
which the interest of each indi-
vidual associated State and inter-
est of them all could be better safe-
guarded.

Were he a South African of Eng-
lish descent, he would feel all the
more love and respect for Britain,
as a country which through free
constitutions and a common-
sense use of them, had made the
younger nations "as free as the
Motherland, and at the same time
standing in a close attitude of
affection."—British Wireless.

GAS EXPLOSION.

FATAL ACCIDENT IN
FRENCH FACTORY.

Paris, Dec. 14.
Fifteen persons were killed and
30 seriously injured at Saint
Auban, near Digne, through the
explosion of a reservoir containing
20,000 kilograms of liquid
chlorine.

The roof of the factory fell in,
and volumes of deadly gas swept
into the building.

Some were killed outright, while
others struggled blindly through
the fumes, groping for the exit.
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KHIVA	9,135	25 Dec. noon.	M'les L'don A'worp & Hull
MIRZAPUR	6,718	29th Dec.	M'les L'don H'burg & Rotterdam
NYANZA	7,023	6th Jan.	S'pore, P'ang C'ho & B'bay
MALWA	10,941	8th Jan.	Marseilles & London
KALYAN	9,144	22nd Jan.	M'les L'don A'worp & Hull
DEVANHA	8,155	28th Jan.	S'pore, P'ang C'ho & B'bay
MOREA	10,918	5th Feb.	Marseilles & London
DELTA	8,097	18th Feb.	S'pore, P'ang C'ho & B'bay
KASIMIR	9,005	19th Feb.	Marseilles London A'worp & Hull

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TAKLIWA	7,936	2nd Jan.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

ST. ALBANS	4,500	31st Dec.	Manila, Sandakan, Thurs.
ARAFURA	6,000	28th Jan.	Island, Townsville, B'bane.
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TAKADA	6,949	31st Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, & Osaka
ARAFURA	6,000	4th Jan.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka, & Yokohama
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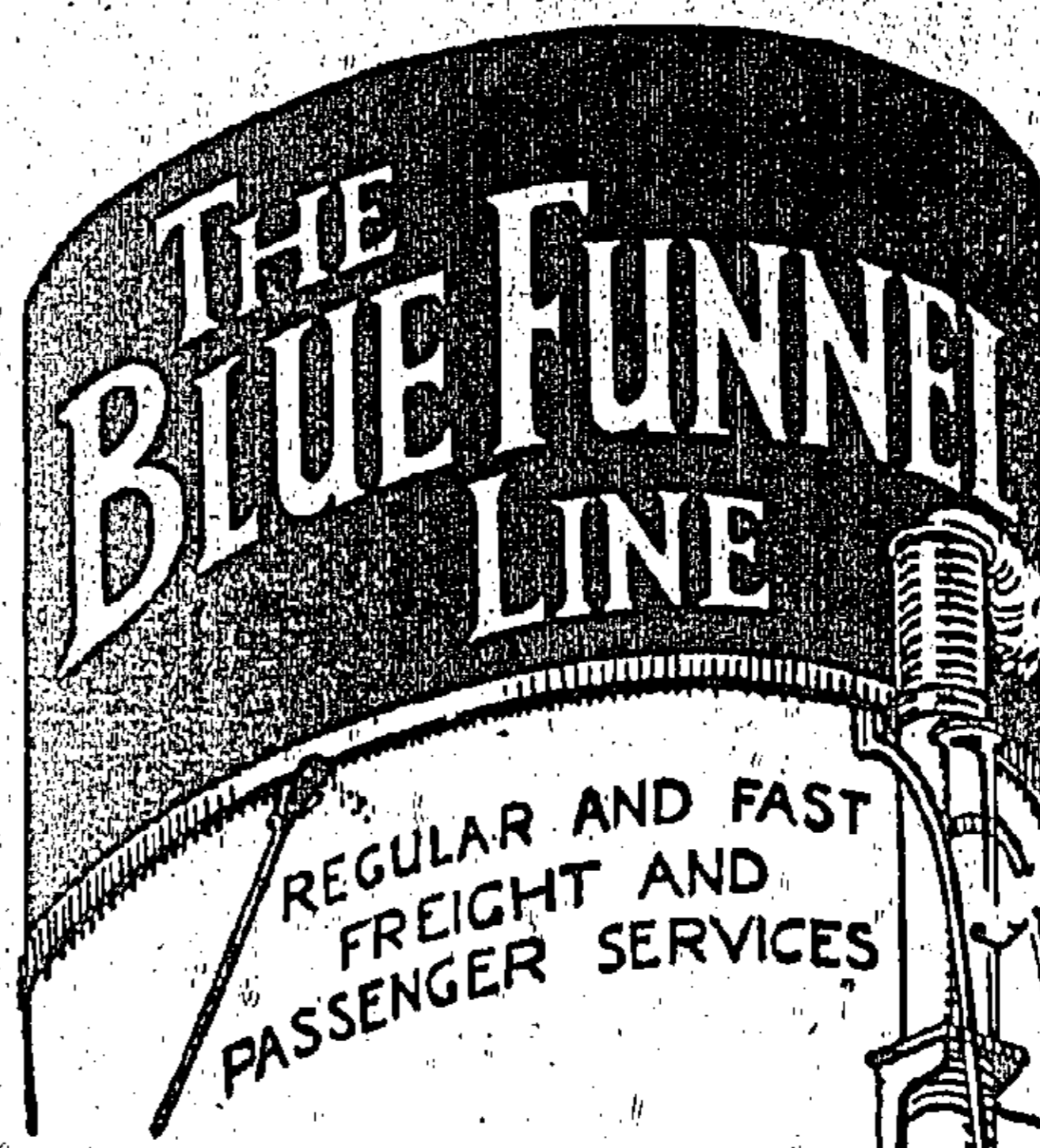
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Hongkong, December 13, 1926.

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All claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 27th inst. or they will not be recognised.

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Hongkong, December 11, 1926.



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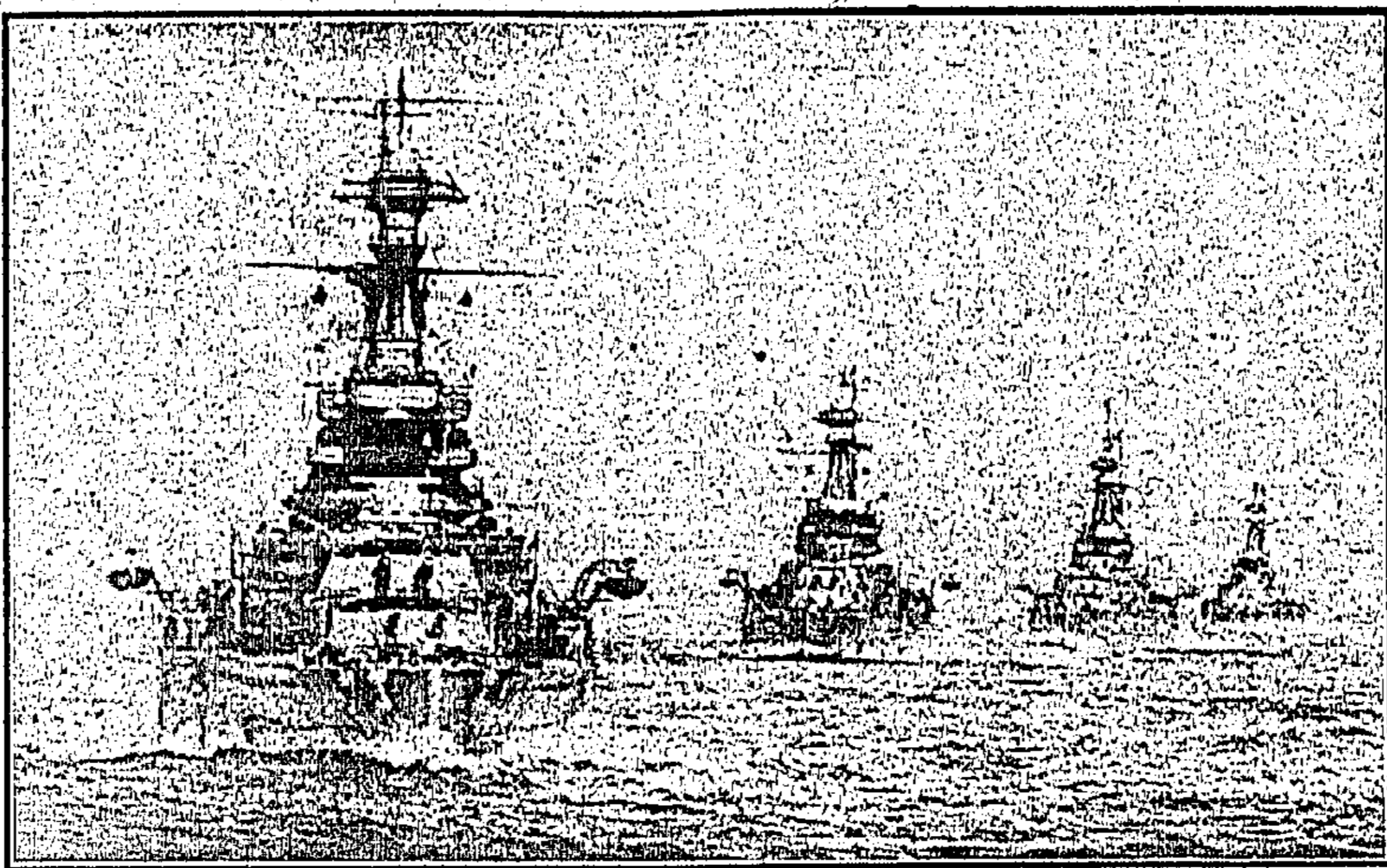
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THE SANITARY BOARD.

SOME IMPORTANT
QUESTIONS.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon, Mr. N. L. Smith being in the chair. Others present were the Hon. Mr. H. T. Greasy, Dr. G. S. Pope, Dr. S. W. Tso, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Col. Boylan Smith, Dr. S. C. Ho, Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. R. A. D. Forrest (secretary) and Mr. D. Davis (assistant secretary).
Mr. Wong Kwong-tin asked the following questions:—(1) Are applications for restaurant and eating house licences dealt with by the Inspectors of the Department and if so, what check is there that the same are dealt with promptly? (2) Are the ground surface of all premises used as restaurants and eating houses for which licences are applied for, to be opened up, if so, what are the reasons for so doing? Should not houses built after the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance of 1903, be exempted from such operations?

The Replies.

To the first the chairman replied:—“All applications for restaurant and eating house licences are referred to the Sanitary Department by the Secretary for Chinese Affairs and the Colonial Treasurer respectively. The premises are then inspected by this department's District Inspectors who report through the usual channels and any undue delay in furnishing such reports would be noticed. As a further precaution, I see personally at the end of each month the office copies of all such applications which have been more than ten days from the date of receipt from the licensing department to the date of their onward transmission.
To the second Dr. G. S. Pope replied:—“The ground surface of such premises are always opened up when there is any doubt whether their thickness or consistency complies with the requirements of the law. The reason is that only so can such thickness be ascertained. It is not considered that an occupation certificate of the Building Authority is sufficient evidence of the adequacy of ground surface for this purpose.
“The insistence upon good ground surfaces in premises where food is abundant, is of course one of the measures aimed at the reduction of rats.”

B. A. Certificates.

Mr. Wong remarked that in referring to the section of the Ordinance concerning these matters he saw that buildings erected after the passing of the Ordinance of 1903 had to be built in accordance with certain conditions and he therefore considered it unnecessary for their floors to be opened up. Furthermore he noticed that under section 204 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance certificates were issued by the Building Authority only where the requirements of the Ordinance were complied with and therefore it was surely not necessary where these certificates had been issued for surfaces to be opened up.
The chairman said he had taken the matter up with the Building Authority and he had replied that the fact that a certificate had been given to the effect that the surface was of a certain thickness and consistency was not sufficient for the purposes of the Ordinance so far as this particular trade was concerned. Certificates were given on certificates from architects but they did not have inspectors or overseers watching to see that the law was complied with. Therefore the Building Authority had to rely on the architect's certificate which no doubt was true as far as it possibly could

FUGA ISLAND.

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be but even the architect himself might not observe personally every process during construction.
Mr. Wong went on to give a specific instance in which a license had not been granted for 62 days. The chairman replied that if he could have chapter and verse he would enquire into the matter. Mr. Wong gave the information, stating that application for a license was made on July 21 this year and the license was not issued until September 20. The chairman said he would make enquiries.

Not the Board's Concern.

Mr. J. P. Braga asked the following questions:—(1) What steps, if any, have the Government taken to carry out the suggestion contained in a report, incorporated in that of the Economic Resources Committee (1920), that both on economic grounds and as a matter of expediency there should be an earnest endeavour to make this Colony self-supporting in so vital a commodity as pig-meat which enters so largely in the dietary of nine-tenths of the population of Hongkong and its dependencies?

(2) a With a view to make the Colony less dependent on outside sources for its food supply and so as to check the tendency towards higher cost of daily necessities, and to bring down (if possible) the high price of foodstuffs, will the Government devise some scheme of bonus payment or other simple method of encouragement to settlers in the New Territories with the object of fostering cattle and poultry farming, and pig-breeding, and to cultivate market produce on a larger scale?

b Is the holding in the New Territory of an annual cattle and poultry show feasible; and, if so, will the Government initiate and help to defray the cost of such shows with a view to stimulate greater enterprise in a rural pursuits and farming within the Colony?

By-Laws.

The only other public business was an amendment to the bylaws recently made for the prevention and mitigation of epidemic, endemic, contagious or infectious diseases. They were made at the time of the cholera epidemic in Shanghai and Canton and concerned mainly the sale of certain foods.

The Chairman said the matter of amendment had been delayed rather but it did not alter matters much as they had escaped by a miracle the cholera which raged all round. The Board had agreed to the by-laws but they thought it was a good thing to have them in reserve against any future outbreak. The only alteration was that the declaration of the occasion on which they may be called into force lay with the Governor in Council instead of with the Sanitary Board. Col. Boylan Smith had a small amendment to make and he proposed they consider it in committee.

In connexion with Mr. Braga's question it is learned that the matter of an agricultural show for the New Territories is under consideration, the Rev. H. R. Wells O.B.E., being very interested.

BIG DEFICIT.

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159.60 was paid to Leung Chak-tsun, a director of the Company. The report concluded by saying that the Company was insolvent and unable to pay its debts, and that there were matters which required investigation on behalf of the creditors.

Continuing, Mr. Sheldon said on August 4th a meeting of creditors was held at which Mr. J. H. Seth and Mr. S. H. Ross, chartered accountants, were unanimously appointed liquidators in place of those appointed by the Company. That in fact did not happen, but on August 13th an order was obtained for the appointment of Messrs. Seth and Ross as additional liquidators.

CREDITORS' VIEWS.

On November 5th, a meeting of creditors was held, when forty-eight were present. It was resolved by the meeting that, in their opinion, the rights of the creditors would be prejudiced by voluntary winding up, and that an application be made to the Court for the removal of the Chinese liquidators.

Mr. Sheldon stated that Messrs. Ip Pih-chuen and Lui Mui-sang had not been served with a notice of the petition, as they were out of the Colony.

Concluding, Mr. Sheldon said he made the application on the grounds that the creditors would be prejudiced by a voluntary winding up; that there was a case for enquiry; and that the creditors were anxious for a winding up by the Court.

His Lordship made an order for compulsory winding up, and for the removal of two of the Chinese liquidators. He also made an order for liberty to apply in Chambers for the removal of the two absent liquidators, and that Messrs. Seth and Ross continue as liquidators.

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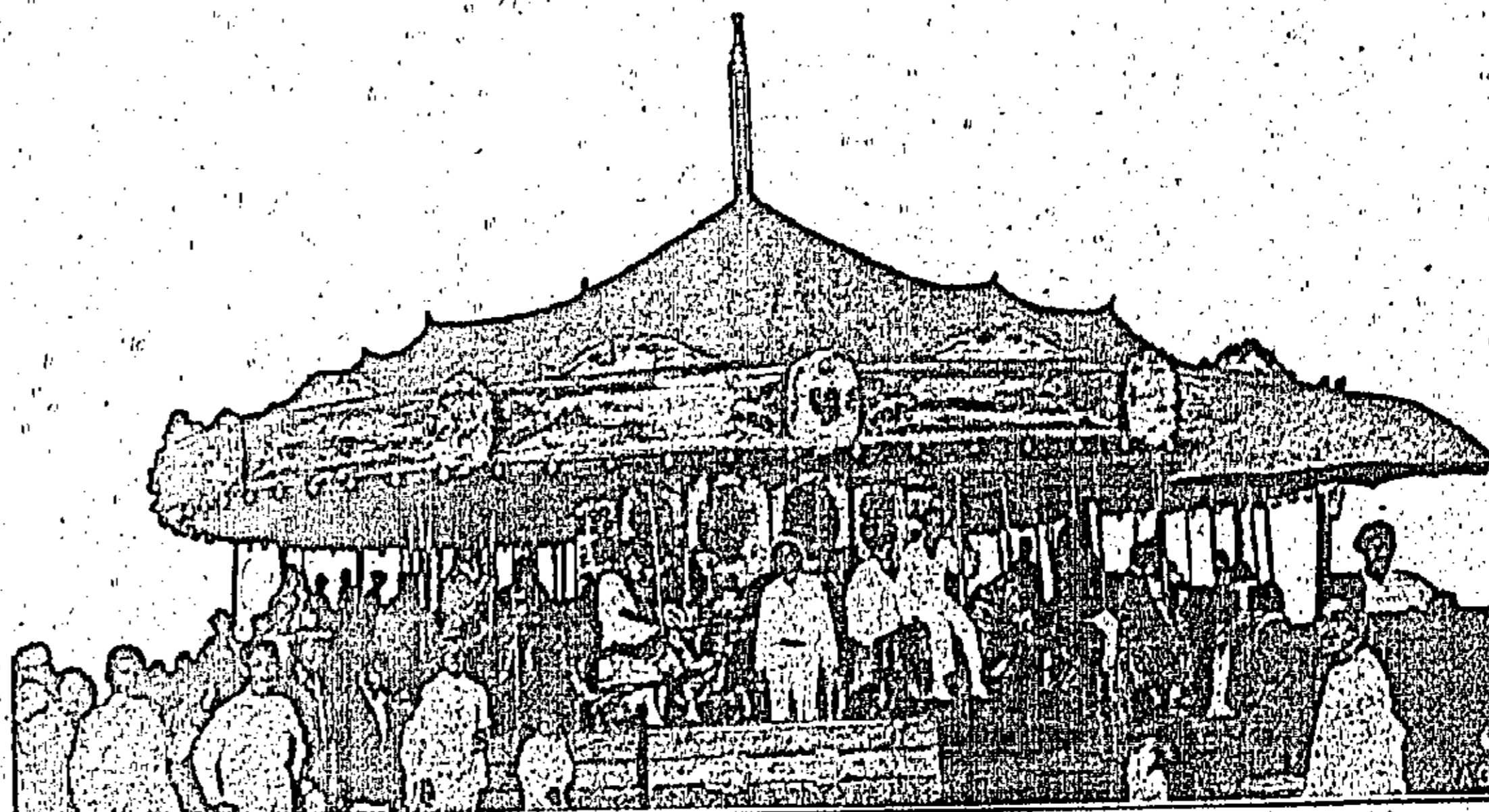
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